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MIDNIGHT.

HARRISBURG.

The Legislature—Arrival of Members—Proposed Caucuses, etc.

[Special Dispatch to Pittsburgh Gazette.]

HARRISBURG, PA., December 29, 1871.

Members of the House are arriving by every train to attend the legislative session, which opens next Tuesday. A sufficient number of Republicans are already here to hold a caucus, which is announced for Saturday morning.

William Elliott, of Philadelphia, will be chosen Speaker, and General Selfridge Chief Clerk, and John Smull and Edward G. Lee Assistant Clerks.

Very few Senators have appeared, and the organization of that body is in doubt.

The Democratic Senators will hold a caucus on Monday to decide what course to pursue.

The vote in the Senate for Speaker will be 16 to 16, and will probably so continue until the end of February, unless a compromise is effected. If Speaker Brodhead issues his writ of election immediately on the organization, the new Senator from Philadelphia may take his seat within thirty days, in which case the Republicans will probably organize by electing Jas. A. Rutan, of Beaver, as Speaker.

Nothing is definitely known of a compromise, nor does either party at this time seem disposed to make overtures. It is possible that the House, acting in sympathy with the Senate, will refuse to transact any important business until the dead-lock is settled.

The election of State Treasurer takes place on the tenth of January, and R. W. Mackey has no active competitor. S.

NEW YORK.

Tammany Affairs.

TWEED STILL HIDING

Cotton Statement.

NEW YORK, December 29, 1871.

RING INFLUENCE.

It is strongly suspected, among the Reformers that the continuance of the Grand Jury in the Court of Oyer and Terminer is owing to the Ring influence, the object being to prevent the finding of further indictments by the General Sessions Grand Jury.

TWEED ITEMS.

Tweed's hiding-place does not yet appear to be known, except to the Sheriff and a few others. Tweed was yesterday in communication with the Sheriff, and it is said that "writers" were sent by him to the members of the Tammany General Committee, urging them to be present last night at a meeting which he had directed to be convened, and the object of which was to consider the reorganization of Tammany. This statement, however, appears improbable.

One of the chief causes of defection among Tweed's bondsmen, it is said, is due to their unwillingness to stand the examination of the reform lawyers, their property, at least some of their real estate, having been purchased from the city at prices much below the real value.

A *Herald* reporter says he was informed that Tweed was yesterday negotiating with his agent, F. A. Scott, for the disposal of his property.

FIRES.

A fire in Maiden Lane last night damaged the building occupied by William Ester, Fur Inspector, to the extent of $18,000.

Another fire last night in Grand street damaged the saw mill building of Rodman & Hepburn to the amount of $20,000.

A fire occurred this morning at the oil refinery of Lambert, Ayres & Co., at the foot of West Sixty-fifth street, damaging it to the amount of about $25,000.

COMPARATIVE COTTON STATEMENT.

Total receipts this year from the 1st of September, 1,383,681 bales, against 1,416,993 same time last year. Total exports the year from the 1st of September, 690,645, against 815,213 same time last year. Stock at all United States ports this year, 488,736, against 521,193 same time last year. At interior towns this year, 363,682, against 417,681 last year. American can afloat for Great Britain this year, 187,000, against 355,000 last year.

FISK.

The Oyer and Terminer Jury has been occupied for a long time in investigations, and spent many days over the case of Fisk, Jr., but thus far without any practical results.

Fisk is reported to have secured the suppression of his correspondence with Helen Josephine Mansfield, the plaintiff in the issuance of the suits, by the payment of sixty-five thousand dollars.

EMIGRANT ABUSES.

At a meeting of the Emigration Commission yesterday the report of the committee was adopted, declaring that the suffering of the passengers on the steamer Minnesota was due to insufficient ventilation and want of proper water in the condensing apparatus. The commission has relieved a number of unemployed emigrants on hand who want to go South.

REPORT DENIED.

The reported disaster of the Wabash is pronounced false by the office of the *Nautical Gazette*. Inquiries have been made at Boston and Washington to trace the origin of the false rumor.

MORE FRAUD.

Another fraud in the Tax Commissioners' office has been brought to light. The taxes of Messrs. Iden, to the amount of $75,000, were marked "cancelled" by the deputy collectors, whereas the amount paid the city was $4,000.

INSURANCE COMPANIES DISSOLVED.

Judge Gilbert, of Brooklyn, granted an order this afternoon dissolving the Atlantic Insurance Company, of Brooklyn, the Manhattan, of New York, and the Security, of New York, on the application of the receivers.

RESIGNED.

Wm. M. Tweed sent, on Thursday last, his resignation as almember of the Board of Directors of Greenwood Cemetery. It was accepted, and Henry Sherwood, of Corning, N. Y., has been elected in his stead.

MORE INDICTMENTS.

There are ten more indictments against J. D. Miner, who has just been acquitted of counterfeiting, and it is the intention of the Government to try him upon one of these at an early day.

BONDSMEN RELEASED.

In addition to Farley, Gould and Hastings have also been released from Tweed's bond. Messrs. Connell, Richard M. Tweed, a son of "Boss," and others their bonds.

TOBACCO MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION.

An application was made to-day to have the case of Yeaton, agent of the Tobacco Manufacturers' Association, placed on the calendar of the Supreme Court.

LIGHT WANTED.

The uptown portion of the town is not yet fully supplied with gas. It is expected that there will soon be put to meet the requirements in a few days.

TWEED'S SUCCESSOR.

This afternoon G. Van Nort was sworn in as Commissioner of Public Works, vice Tweed resigned. He will take immediate posession of the office.

CONNOLLY'S BAIL.

Connolly was not able to perfect his bail today, owing to the withdrawal of a lady who had offered to go on the bond for $100,000.

ROBBED.

R. H. Manning, agent of the Passaic Zinc Company, was robbed yesterday of a package of bonds, stocks, etc., to the amount of $50,000.

NOT RESIGNED.

Mayor Hall has not sent in his resignation to the Union Club, but it is expected he will do so at the next regular meeting.

ACCEPTED.

An elevator gave way at the Fifth Avenue Hotel this afternoon, and four servants were seriously injured.

CALL ACCEPTED.

Rev. Wm. Taylor, of Liverpool, has accepted a call to the Broadway Tabernacle Church in this city.

ARRIVAL OF A COMMUNIST.

General Lafercille, a noted Parisian Communist, and wife, arrived yesterday on the Europa.

ARRIVED.

The steamships City of Baltimore and City of Washington, from Liverpool, have arrived.

CINCINNATI.

McPherson Monument.

CINCINNATI, December 29.—A. Hickenlooper and others of the committee appointed by the Grand Army to make arrangements for the erection of a monument to the memory of the late Gen. J. B. McPherson, have brought suit against T. D. Jones, sculptor, and his surety, for failure to complete the work in the time specified in the contract. The complainants aver that Jones refuses to complete the work. They claim damages to the amount of $19,125.

DASTARDLY TRACHERY.

Last Friday evening, says the correspondence of the *Times and Chronicle*, a man named Brown, accompanied by others, went to the house of George Dunan, a colored man in Bracton county, Ky., to whip the latter or eject him from the house. Duncan showed fight, and, on the door being broken down by his assailants, fired into the crowd, killing Brown. Duncan was captured and taken to the Brooksville jail in his shirt and drawers. On Sunday night at nine o'clock fifty-two disguised and armed men took him from the jail and started in the direction of Powersville. Duncan made an effort to escape, but was recovered and finally hung to a tree a mile and a half from Brooksville. There was great excitement in the place on Monday, and it was not easy to procure information.

DETROIT.

Alexis.

DETROIT, December 29.—Alexis held a public reception at noon in the City Hall. He afterwards visited the House of Correction and drove around the city. He leaves for Chicago to-morrow morning.

THE CAPITAL.

Treasury Circular.

THE CIVIL SERVICE.

Mail Extensions.

WASHINTON, December 29, 1871.

NAVAL MATTERS.

The Navy Department has received no information relative to the alleged disaster of the Wabash. The last heard from her was by a cable telegram of the 16th inst., announcing her arrival at Cadiz, with all well. She would thence go to the Mediterranean, but the time was not stated.

THE CIVIL SERVICE.

The Secretary of the Treasury to-day addressed the following letter to all collectors of customs:

Treasury Department, Office of the Secretary, December 29, 1871.—Sir—The rules in regard to appointments in the civil service of the Government, prepared by the Commissioners on Civil Service, and approved by the President, will take effect on Monday next. On and after that day appointments and promotions in your office will be made in accordance with these rules as far as practicable. It will be necessary to designate a committee of competent persons to made competitive examinations of candidates for appointment and for promotion, and until an appropriation shall have been made by Congress to defray the expenses, it will be necessary to name as Commissioners persons who are already in the service of the Government and connected with your office. I have, therefore, to request that you will give the names of three persons who are in your opinion best qualified to perform that duty, and unless objections shall occur, your recommendation will be approved. You will receive hereafter a copy of the report of the Commissioners, together with the regulations approved by the President, which, until otherwise desired, will guide your conduct in this business.

BOUTWELL, Secretary.

EXAMINING BOARDS.

In accordance with the suggestion of the Civil Service Commission, the President will appoint as regular examining boards three persons from each of the different departments of the Government, who will personally conduct all examinations of applicants, being governed in their actions by such regulations as may from time to time be established by the Advisory Board. It is probable that the duties of the latter board will not be such as to require a continuous session, but that it will only be necessary for them to meet at stated periods.

THE WEATHER TO-DAY.

The conditions are favorable for the development of an area of low pressure in Arkansas and Missouri, moving northeastward on Saturday. Threatening weather will probably continue in the Gulf and Southern States, with rain on the latter coast. An area of rising barometer and partially cloudy and clearing weather will probably extend during the night and on Saturday southeastward over New York and New England. Dangerous winds are not anticipated for to-night.

MAIL EXTENSIONS.

The Postmaster General to-day ordered the extension of mail service on the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad from Lodi to Baraboo, Wis., and on the Central Pacific Branch Railroad from Chicago to Tehoma. Since the 4th inst. mail service has been placed upon no less than twenty-four railroad routes, a part of old ones, making in the aggregate two hundred and sixty-eight miles of new railroad communication utilized for the postal service.

LIFE PRESERVERS.

The Treasury Department has decided to hereafter allow the use by steam vessels of all cork life preservers adjustable to the body of a person, by whomsoever manufactured, when such preservers are so constructed as to meet the requirements of the rules adopted by the Board of Supervising Inspectors.

PUBLIC DEBT STATEMENT.

The public debt statement for the present month will not be issued until Tuesday, January 2d.

CURRENCY OUTSTANDING.

The total amount of United States currency of all kinds outstanding at this date is $399,274,170.

BUSINESS SUSPENED.

No business will be tranacted at the different public offices here until Tuesday morning.

MR. Hawley, of Illinois, has been appointed special agent of the Postoffice Department.

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA.

Consecration of Bishop Howe.

We extract the following from the account of this interesting ceremony contained in the Philadelphia *Bulletin* of Thursday:

An unusual, but highly interesting, religious ceremony took place in St. Luke's Protestant Episcopal Church, Thirteenth street, above Spruce, this morning, it being the festival of the Holy Innocents, and it was this day that was fixed upon for the consecration of Rev. Dr. Howe, the newly-elected Bishop of the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania. The new Diocese, which was agreed upon at the last Diocesan Convention held in this city, and which was confirmed by the General Convention held recently in Baltimore, comprises all the counties east of the Alleghenies, with the exception of Philadelphia, Bucks, Montgomery, Delaware and Chester—thirty-six in all.

REV. DR. HOWE

is a native of Bristol, R. I., and a graduate of that noble institution, Brown University. He entered the ministry in 1832, his first charge being St. James's Church, Roxbury, Massachusetts. He assumed the rectorate of St. Luke's Church, this city, about twenty-five years ago, and since that time has occupied a position of peculiar prominence and influence among the Episcopal divines of this country. He is an eloquent, earnest, and dignified preacher, with large pulpit experience, mature judgment and an executive ability of unusually high order. Although always affiliating with the Low Church side of the Church, he has never sympathized with extreme views or measures in regard to church politics or practice, and his position as Bishop of the Central Pennsylvania Diocese will undoubtedly be modeled upon the admirable pattern of his predecessor, Bishop Potter, of whom Dr. Howe was the intimate friend and biographer. In 1865, he was elected Missionary Bishop of Nevada, but declined the position. He has frequently represented this Diocese in the General Convention, and has occupied many positions of distinction in the various operations of the Episcopal Church in this country.

THE CHURCH DECORATIONS

this morning were of the richest and most tasteful character. The organ and side galleries were beautifully festooned with winter green, holly and laurel, and the doors embowered with delicate vines. At the head of the main aisle stood the costly baptismal font of Italian marble, the gift of one of the wardens, Mr. George L. Harrison, which was enwreathed with ivy, laurel and woodbine, and the bowl filled with a choice collection of natural flowers. Suspended from the dome of the chancel, and stretching to the pillars on either side were festoons of laurel, and from the centre hung a cross of flowers, the handsomest that a florist could possibly arrange. The pulpit, bases of pillars and the interior generally were all entwined with laurel and cedar, producing a pleasing effect. The "floral crowns" and flowers in the font were presented by a number of young ladies connected with the church.

THE BISHOPS AND CLERGY.

There was a large representation of the Bishops and clergy present. The Rt. Revs. B. B. Smith, D. D., of Kentucky, Presiding Bishop; C. P. McIlvaine, D. D., Ohio; Alfred Lee, D. D., Delaware; Thomas M. Clark, D. D., Rhode Island; Horatio Potter, D. D., New York; T. Bedell, D. D., Ohio; J. B. Kerfoot, D. D., Pittsburgh, and B. Wistar Morris, D. D., Oregon, all took part in the services.

Among the clergy present were Rev. Dr. Henry J. Morton, President of the Standing Committee; Rev. Dr. Suddards, Rector, Watson, Cooper, Rodney, Paddock, Bowers, Clair, Clemson, Childs and Haight, of New York; Rev. Dr. John A. Seiss, Rev. A. Pfeiffer, T. Hutchinson, G. H. Walsh, E. S. Watson, W. C. Bowen, A. H. Boyle, Thomas Barker, J. Karchner, A. M. Morgan, G. W. Hawkins, W. R. Gries, Daniel Washburn, E. A. Lauderback, A. H. Cull, J. P. Du Hamel, Jno. H. Drum, and many others.

THE ORDER OF SERVICES

was as follows: Organ voluntary.

The opening service to the Psalter, as far as the Lord's Prayer, was read by the Rev. Ed. Cook, of Donglasville.

The Psalter was read by the Rev. E. S. Watson, of Lancaster.

The First Lesson, Jeremiah XXXI., the 15th verse, was read by the Rev. Mr. Whitehead.

The Second Lesson, Acts XX., from the 17th verse, was read by the Rev. Dr. Quick.

The Creed was read by the Rev. Mr. Barker.

The remaining portions of Morning Prayer were read by the Rev. Mr. Hawkins.

The 79th Psalm was announced by the Rev. Wm. Hare.

The ante-communion service was commenced by the Right Rev. Bishop Potter; the Epistle being read by Bishop Alfred Lee, and the Gospel by Bishop McIlvaine.

The 98th hymn was announced by the Rev. R. H. Howe.

Bishop Bedell, of Ohio, preached the consecration sermon from Acts XX. 28.

THE CONSECRATION.

The Consecration Service was commenced by the presiding Bishop, Benjamin B. Smith, of Kentucky, in accordance with the prescribed ritual of the Book of Common Prayer.

The Testimonials from the Diocese of Pennsylvania were read by the Rev. Mr. Marple, the consent of the Standing Committee of the old Diocese, by the Rev. Mr. Leverett, and the consent of the Bishops, by Rev. Dr. Haight, of New York.

The Litany was read by Bishop Thomas M. Clark, of Rhode Island; the Offertory and Prayer for the Church Militant, by Bishop Morris; the Exhortation and Confession, by Bishop Kerfoot; the Absolution and following passages, by Bishop Smith; the Prayer of Humble Access, by Bishop McIlvaine; and the Prayer of Consecration, by Bishop Smith.

The 93d hymn was now sung, after which the elements were administered to a large number of clergy and laity that were present.

The Post Communion service was then read by Bishop Lee.

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

was sung by the choir and congregation, and the Apostolic Benediction was pronounced by Bishop Smith.

THE NEW BISHOP

will not establish his residence, or commence regular official visitations in his diocese until the spring, but intends making informal visits to the various principal points during the winter.

Ku-Klux Sentenced.

COLUMBIA, S. C., December 29—In the United States Court to-day five Ku-Klux prisoners pleaded guilty, and were sentenced to eighteen months' imprisonment and one hundred dollars fine.

The trial of Dr. Edward Avery, charged with conspiracy in preventing colored men from voting in October, 1871, and in punishing them for voting in 1870, then began.

SECOND EDITION.

FOUR O'CLOCK.

FOREIGN.

Letter from Victoria.

THANKS TO THE NATION.

English Politics.

GREAT BRITAIN.

THANKS TO THE NATION.

LONDON, December 29.—This afternoon the papers publish a letter from Her Majesty Queen Victoria, in which she says that she desires to express her deep sense of the touching sympathy exhibited for her family by the whole nation at the illness of her dear son. The universal feeling, says the Queen, shown by her people during the painful and terrible days of the Prince's illness, their sympathy with herself and her beloved daughter, the Princess of Wales, and the general joy manifested at the improvement in the health of the Prince, has made a deep and ineffaceable impression upon her heart. The manifestations of the people are nothing new to her, for she met with the same sympathy ten years ago, when a similar illness from that under which her son is suffering removed the mainstay of her life—the best, the wisest and kindest husband that ever lived. Her Majesty says she also wishes to express the heartfelt gratitude of the Princess of Wales, and concludes her letter with the hope that her faithful subjects will continue to pray for the complete recovery of the Prince.

COALITION.

LONDON, December 29.—Alarmed at Gladstone's Republican tendencies, the conservative section of the Liberals, led by the Duke of Somerset and Viscount Hanfax, is seeking to form a coalition with the Tories for the purpose of electing the Hon. Mr. Bouverie as Speaker of the House of Commons instead of the Hon. Mr. Brand, and to compel the retirement of Gladstone.

PRINCE OF WALES.

LONDON, December 29.—The bulletin to-day states that the Prince is gaining strength. The swelling above his hip is subsiding.

MARINE NEWS.

The steamers Thuringia, Columbia, Java and Sebina haye arrived out.

FRANCE.

DENIAL.

PARIS, December 29.—The *Official Journal* denies that there have been any arrests of French citizens to be held as hostages.

CIRCULATION INCREASE.

The committee on the Bank of France are disposed to increase the circulation of the Bank to 350,000,000 francs, instead of 600,000,000 francs, as demanded by the Government.

PATIENCE AND MODERATION.

Gambetta, while at Versailles recently, addressed the Republicans, counseling patience and moderation.

MILITARY SERVICE.

PARIS, December 29.—The Committee of the Assembly on the re-organization of the army proposes to reduce the term of active military service five years on active duty, four years in the reserve and six years in the secondary reserve.

ANNAPOLIS.

Trial of Mrs. Wharton.

ANNAPOLIS, December 29.—In the Wharton case this morning, Prof. R. S. McCulloch was called. Am a Professor in Washington and Lee University; teach natural philosophy and chemistry; have been engaged in analysis of chemical analysis three or four years ago for the Government; was a chemist for the Confederate Government; was called to testify on Prof. Aiken in regard to his analysis of the contents of Ketchum's stomach, and also read his report to the prosecuting attorney; in my judgment the tests, proved by Aiken to have been made by himself, are insufficient to establish the presence of antimony; consider Aiken's analysis radically defective. In order to establish the presence of antimony by the metallic marks, which is the metal itself, and by test after test prove that it is really antimony. The quantity operated with should be sufficient to be subjected to all these tests, to preclude the possibility of its being anything else; considers Aiken's analysis radically defective because he did not get the metal, but operated on substances more or less like metal, and which, under the tests would render the tests fallacious. If Aiken had been operating for the metal, and got it, and he be such, his test would constitute a very strong probability that it was antimony, but no absolute certainty. Aqueous solutions are not constantly discovered in chemistry it would be possible that if a chemist passed a metal, it might contain antimony, and yet fail in other properties which belong to antimony. In any case I consider it necessary to go beyond the tests in the case and call in of a chemist operating on the contents of a stomach containing substances of organic kinds which, if left to rot for six or eight days, reasons the tests of Aiken may prove entirely fallacious.

Witness explained the tests referred to those of Aiken, and said ther did not prove the presence of antimony, because other substances give the same results. He made experiments with reference to this peculiar case for the purpose of imitating as closely as possible what was supposed to be the contents of Ketchum's stomach; obtained a white powder which was supposed to be metallic antimony; did this in Lexington, and operated it here with similar results in the presence of Dr. Hewes, of Baltimore.

In answer to a question, witness said: In my judgment the analysis of Profs. Aiken and Tomes did not give positive proof that arsenic or any poisonous substance whatever in Gen Ketchum's stomach, and in my mind only served to prove the effects in the stomach of medicines given him by order of Dr. Williams.

The cross-examination of this witness was commenced, in which he stated that the tests used by him were not similar in all particulars to those proved by Aiken, but he examined rigidly as to his knowledge of color tests, when the Court adjourned.

THE RIVERS.

NASHVILLE, December 29.—River stationary; 26 inches on Harpeth Shoals. Weather rainy and cool.

CAIRO, December 29.—No arrivals or departures. River 20 inches. Light rain continues, with a heavy fog, detaining steamers. Weather very warm.

CINCINNATI, December 29.—River ten feet; risen about four inches since the rise commenced. The water is principally from the Kanawha. A gorge in the mouth of the Muskingum and another below the city. The Ben Franklin is lying in the gorge at the mouth of Sugar Creek. There is a great deal of ice below, but soft. The St. James started up at noon, but returned. The Telegraph started up, hoping to get through. There was a drizzling rain during the day, with a prospect of its continuance.

LOUISVILLE, December 29.—River stationary; four feet in canal; two feet in chute. The gorge above and below has moderated. Drizzling rain to-day; cloudy and raining to-night; mercury 38. Ex-Aldermen Montgomery and Walsh, and recommend that all be placed under heavy bonds. The work of the grand jury is but partially accomplished. They will go on with the work until every scallawag is indicted. This will probably wipe out fully one-half of the boards.

ACCIDENTS.

A lad of fifteen years, named Hayes, was run over this afternoon by an express wagon, on West Indiana street, and almost instantly killed.

Last night a man named Butler, employed on the Michigan Central Railroad, was run over at Fourteenth street, from the effects of which he died in an hour.

LOBBY GATHERING.

The Senatorial lobby is already gathering at the State Capitol, to look after the interests of various candidates. Senator Harlan is on the ground.

RUMOR CONFIRMED.

The rumor that Hon. J. Young Scammon had purchased the *Republican* is confirmed.

PHILADELPHIA.

New Swindling Dodge.

PHILADELPHIA, December 29.—C. F. Heiss, J. F. Meyers and B. F. McCartney have been held in $5,000 each to answer charges of extorting money under false pretenses and acting as a mercantile detecting agency. It appears that country men were arrested by them on the streets for alleged violation of an ordinance and brought before one of the prisoners, who was acting as magistrate, and fined.

THE SUSKEN FRIGATE.

The frigate Chattanooga, sunk at Lazaue Island, was used as a store ship. The machinery had been removed, as she was a complete failure.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

—The new Hudson river bridge at Albany is completed, and trains pass over it.

—The loss by fire at Little Rock Ark., last Thursday night, is estimated at $100,000.

—A portion of the shoemakers of Natick, Mass., are on a strike against a decrease of wages.

—The New York *Nautical Gazette* has received reports from Boston to tee effect that the United States frigate, in her passage across the Atlantic, encountered a severe gale in which thirty or forty men were lost overboard.

HOME NEWS.

PITTSBURGH COUNCILS.

Last Meeting of the Year—Closing up Business—The City Hall Commission Accounts—New Ordinances Passed—Final Reports from the Committees—The Annual Reports—Minor Matters Disposed of—Councils Adjourned.

Pittsburgh Councils, pursuant to adjournment, held a meeting yesterday afternoon, December 29, to close up business for the current year.

SELECT COUNCIL.

A. H. GROSS.....President.
E. S. MORROW.....Clerk.

Council was called to order at fifteen minutes past two o'clock by President Gross. Members present: Messrs. Ahl, Ahlborn, Aiken, Burgwin, Caiskett, Coffin, Devlin, Friday, Gallaher, Glenn, Gloen, Hoch, House, Jeremy, Jones, E. S. Kelly, Laufman, Liddell, Lloyd, Marshall, McCune, Morrow, Murdoch, Murray, Neely, Rafferty, Schmidt, Scully, Seely, Snipes, Thompson, Walnwright, Wilson, Ayes 34; nays none.

President Gross responded to the resolution as follows:

GENTLEMEN: I thank you for this recognition of my humble efforts to discharge my duties faithfully as your presiding officer. I know that we are all liable to mistakes; and while I feel that I have not been free from them, I trust that they have been of a slight nature. I have, to the best of my ability, discharged the functions of the office with which you honored me. Again, I would return you my sincere thanks.

Mr. MORROW presented a petition accompanied with ordinances, from Messrs. Jones and Laughlin, asking permission to erect an iron-clad. On motion the ordinance was considered on its three times, and passed finally.

The same gentleman presented an ordinance giving Messrs. Jones and Laughlin permission to switch to and from them across the river on cars into their building, on Try Street. The rules were suspended, the ordinance was considered on its three times and passed. It was then, on motion, finally passed.

BUSINESS FROM COMMON COUNCIL.

The following business from Common Council was read, and the action of S. C. in concurring in the action of C. C. was concurred in: Millvale plan of lots; plan of streets; Garrison's heirs' plan of lots; plan of Bayne, Negley and Lowrie's plan of Butler street; plan of streets bounded by Penn avenue, Fifth avenue, Shady avenue and Centre avenue; plan of property bounded by Centre avenue, Bond street, Fifth avenue and Centre avenue; plan of lots of John Mahood, Esq. A bountiful provision has been made for the children. All are invited.

Mr. MORROW moved to adjourn *sine die*, which motion now prevailed.

COMMON COUNCIL.

H. W. OLIVER, JR.....President.
H. MCMASTER.....Clerk.

This branch was called to order at twenty minutes past two o'clock, by President Oliver. The roll being called the following members answered:

Messrs. Anderson, Arthurs, Barr, Batchelor, Beymer, Black, McGymsey, Brown, Buffum, Burgwin, Caiskett, Coffin, Devlin, Friday, Gallaher, Glenn, Gloen, Hoch, House, Jeremy, Jones, E. S. Kelly, Laufman, Liddell, Lloyd, Lowry, Marshall, McCune, Morrow, Murdoch, Murray, Neely, Rafferty, Schmidt, Scully, Seely, Snipes, Thompson, Walnwright, Wilson. Ayes 38; nays none.

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This branch was called to order at twenty minutes past two o'clock, by President Oliver. The roll being called the following members answered:

Messrs. Anderson, Arthurs, Barr, Batchelor, Beymer, Black, McGymsey, Brown, Buffum, Burgwin, Caiskett, Coffin, Devlin, Friday, Gallaher, Glenn, Gloen, Hoch, House, Jeremy, Jones, E. S. Kelly, Laufman, Liddell, Lloyd, Lowry, Marshall, McCune, Morrow, Murdoch, Murray, Neely, Rafferty, Schmidt, Scully, Seely, Snipes, Thompson, Walnwright, Wilson,

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SATURDAY, DEC. 30, 1871.

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GOLD closed in New York yesterday at 108¼@109.

NO MAN deserving the name of Democrat will revive past differences or imperil the harmony of organization.—*Post.*

That's what Jeff Davis' friends say. The *Post*, too, is anxious to forget the past. "But it will not down at your bidding."

"CONSPIRACIES and treason usually emanate from minorities."—*Post.*

Right for once neighbor. We are always ready to endorse anything truthful that you say, quite as promptly as we are to condemn your falsehoods. The Republican party well knowing that the above statement is true, will keep a wary eye on the Democratic minority. You see we are bound to do you justice.

"GRANT is *weak*, if indeed he is not wicked, and as dangerous as he is weak."

This important piece of information is taken from our Virgin alley Democratic cotemporary. We tremble at it. To think of our President being weak—if not wicked—is bad enough; but we are told that he is *dangerous*, too, and this is awful. The man who tells it, however, would vote to-morrow for Jefferson Davis, were he the Democratic nominee, and would not consider *him* either weak, wicked or dangerous.

THE *Post*, which we have not noticed much lately, states that the Hon. Aaron A. Sargent, Senator elect from California, "is an anti-Grant man." So far from this being true, on the contrary he goes into the United States Senate an avowed friend of President Grant, and pledged publicly to favor his re-nomination. The statement of the *Post* is as near the truth as it can get. The young man in Virgin alley is still striving to "become indoctrinated in the theory of office-holding," and it is no wonder his head is sometimes addled, and that to him "things are not what they seem." We often think of the amazing quantity of misrepresentation that the readers of the *Post* are obliged to swallow, that is, those of them who depend upon its columns for all their information. We really pity them—"eyes have they but they see not."

BOTH branches of the Pittsburgh Councils adjourned *sine die* yesterday, after a year's important work. The body just dissolved was highly creditable to the people, and discharged its duties with fairness and fidelity. The two branches were especially fortunate in the selection of their presiding officers and clerks, under whose executive conduct business was most faithfully and expeditiously transacted. Inasmuch as Presidents Gross and Oliver will be members of the Councils of 1872, their selection for the same positions is an honor already determined upon in acknowledgment of their fitness and ability as presiding officers. The selection of Clerks Morrow and McMaster will beyond all doubt be made by Councils, as during their long occupancy of the responsible places, they have proved capable, willing, courteous and industrious, and merit the approval conveyed in a re-election.

REDUCING THE STATE DEBT.

"The GAZETTE is of the number who think that the liquidation of the State debt should cease.—*Dispatch.*

Who told you so, neighbor? It is news to us, and we want your authority. We deny the above assertion point-blank, and call upon you for proof. We reproduce what we did say on this topic, in the course of our article on the duties of the Legislature, for the purpose of having our cotemporary read it; and in all candor we ask it, if it finds anything which looks like an expression unfavorable to a continuation of the State debt reduction. Here is just what we said, and all we have said on the subject:

A very important query might be canvassed as to whether we are not being *taxed unnecessarily* for the purpose of reducing our State indebtedness *faster than is needed.* Our present debt—about $29,000,000—is no serious burden to our great State, and it is not at all necessary to our credit, nor to a true economy, that we should be compelled to pay taxes sufficient to reduce it *several millions each year.* Why not abolish all personal taxes, and particularly the invidious and unjust collateral inheritance tax, which comes to a large extent off charitable institutions? The corporation tax is sufficient of itself to meet all necessary expenses, and *somewhat reduce the debt.* Why not add the surplus to the sinking fund, which will quite fast enough by its own increase, *reduce the State indebtedness?* These are important subjects and affect to some extent every citizen. Our party is pledged to a reduction of taxation. Let us as a State Government, imitate the National Administration and redeem that pledge.—GAZETTE *of Thursday.*

We were speaking of the necessity of reducing taxation, and incidentally remarked that we thought it unnecessary to *tax the people for the purpose of reducing the State debt*, when the interest on, and annual additions to the sinking fund would supply each year, an ample fund with which to reduce the debt. Let us see: the present sinking fund amounts to $9,500,600; the addition thereto, each year of our surplus revenue from the corporation taxes alone, we will say nothing about, although it amounts to a good many thousand dollars. The interest on the $9,500,000 sinking fund at seven per cent. (which rate can readily be obtained) will amount annually to the sum of $665,000, and we reiterate that it might be well to inquire whether *even this amount* of annual reduction would not be quite sufficient for all purposes of economy, and with a view to the credit of the State.

But it need not stop at this sum; the corporation tax, that paid exclusively by the chartered institutions of the State, will far more than pay the annual expenses, and this being the case, where is the sense in continuing the collateral inheritance tax, for instance, which to a very large extent is a tax upon the income (by bequests) of the charitable institutions of the State. It is probably not generally known to the people that such an invidious tax exists, but such is the fact. Five per cent. is collected by the State from every bequest made to any of the asylums, hospitals, libraries or other public charitable institutions, and we say it is a shame and an outrage to continue such a tax, when not absolutely necessary. Does the *Dispatch* think otherwise?

The same character of argument will hold good as applied to all of our personal taxes—those which were once a necessity—but now, thanks to a kind Providence, who has blessed our State with His benignant smiles, and caused us to increase and grow in wealth and greatness far beyond our deserts—no longer so. If we shall hereafter be enabled to reduce our State debt one million dollars each year, we think we will be doing as well as could be wished by any one, and to this end we are prepared to throw the weight of our influence. Abolish all taxes, therefore, not absolutely required, keeping only in view the payment of all expenses, and the *gradual* and *sufficient* reduction of the debt of the Commonwealth. We think there is not a sane man in the State who will not endorse that platform. It is what we argued before, and we shall continue to advocate it. Our party is pledged to reduce all *unnecessary* taxation, and we want that pledge fulfilled by the Republican majority in our State Legislature. We hope to have the assistance, too, of our neighbors in demanding this. Will the *Dispatch* correct its mistake, and tell its readers just what the GAZETTE did say, "and nothing extenuate."

NEW BOOKS.

MY WIFE AND I: OR HARRY Henderson's History. By Harriet Beecher Stowe, author of "Uncle Tom's Cabin." Now published by J. R. Ford & Co., New York. For sale by S. A. Clark & Co., Pittsburgh.

Mrs. Stowe stands pre-eminent as a writer, and in some respects is unequalled. This work is unlike some of her previous writings, and is exceedingly opportune to the times. Her peculiar views upon marriage, and the woman question, are presented in her usual attractive and novel style. The work, as it appeared in numbers, was widely read, and in its present elegant form it will reach thousands more.

SONGS OF EARLY AND LATER YEARS. By Mrs. M. J. E. Crawford.

To many of our readers this talented lady is not unknown. Her little book will be greeted by them as one would greet an old friend; and it will also be acceptable to the general public on account of its intrinsic worth. Many of the poems have appeared in the *United Presbyterian* of this city, and will be recognized by the readers of that widely circulated journal. Mrs. Crawford has certainly given us a book of poems which will bear close scrutiny, and apart from this, the fact of her being a Pittsburgher and the widow of one of our brave soldiers, left during the war with five children, will commend her little volume of rare gems to a kind public. We bespeak for it the attention of our readers. It will well repay perusal. Price $1 25. For sale by our leading book firms.

BENDING WILLOW: A Tale of Missionary Life in the Northwest. By Jane Gay Fuller. Published by Robert Carter & Bros., New York.

In this little book we have depicted in a forcible manner, the heroic life of the missionaries laboring in the Northwest among the Indians. It delineates the habits, customs, character, and peculiar legends of the aborigines. It will amply repay young people to read the work.

THE SCOTTS WORTHIES.—By John Howie, of Lochgoin. Revised Edition. Published by Robert Carter & Brothers, New York.

In this work we have the record of the Scott's Worthies, who flourished in the fifteenth, sixteenth and seventeenth centuries, many of whom showed their fidelity to God and the principles of a true christianity by yielding up their lives. No one can read the heroic record without honoring the memory of the true and faithful men, who laid the foundation for a pure Christianity. The histories of over seventy of these heroes are given, in which are embodied many passages of the records of those early ages, quaint and unique, compared with the present. The work is handsomely printed and nicely bound.

TREATMENT AND PRESERVATION OF DECAY OF THE TEETH: By Robert Arthur, M. D., D.D.S. Published by J. B. Lippincott & Co., Philadelphia. Sold by R. S. Davis & Co., Pittsburgh.

It seems hardly possible that so much valuable information could be written on this subject. The work throws a flood of light upon a subject interesting to countless thousands. Every form of the decay of the teeth is conceived and made clear to the general reader. It is of great value to the unprofessional reader and should have a wide circulation.

LITTLE JAKEY: By Mrs. S. H. De Kroyft. Author of "A Place in thy Memory." Published by Hurd & Houghton, New York.

This is a story of tender interest, and one calculated to rouse the better nature of youthful readers to good actions. It teaches lessons that will do good.

THE SUNNY PATH: By Mrs. Caroline E. K. Davis. Published by Henry Hoyt, Boston.

Lessons are taught in this story that tend to elevate youthful minds to good actions. To young people the story will have a special charm, as it treats of things in every day life that interests them.

WAS SHE ENGAGED? By "Jonquil." Published by J. B. Lippincott & Co., Philadelphia. For sale by R. S. Davis & Co., Pittsburgh.

A story of this kind, so well planned, will not lack readers. The central characters appear to be well drawn, and quite natural. The very title is taking, and suggestive of a theme, that is of interest to almost every person.

EAST AND WEST POEMS. By Bret Harte. Published by James R. Osgood, Boston.

This gifted writer has provoked a vast amount of criticism. Some of the critics find fault in language, which indicates the lack of that genius that is strongly developed in some of Mr. Harte's poems. That he possesses rare gifts, none can deny, though much that he has written is not above the average, somethings are unique and unapproachable.

MUSKINGUM LEGENDS, with Other Sketches and Papers descriptive of the Young Men of Germany, and the Old Boys of America. Stephen Bowers. Published by J. B. Lippincott, Philadelphia.

In this admirably printed book we have a collection of papers, as the author says: these simple stories told in these pages, range from the Elbe to the Sacramento. The variety, and rich and racy style of the author ought to induce many to read the book. Some of the sketches are fine, especially those relating to the German life and people.

ZANITA: A TALE OF THE YO-SEMITE. By Theresa Yelverton. Published by Hurd & Houghton, New York.

Lovers of the sensational type of stories will enjoy the rollicking style of this work It gives phases of California life that are curious, without having enough to commend them as a suitable example for others to follow. Such works are sought after, and often have a wide sale.

SEED TIME AND HARVEST; or, During My Apprenticeship. Translated from the low-German of Fritz Reuter. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott & Co.; Pittsburgh: R. S. Davis & Co.

It is a marked literary event, this first introduction of English readers to the most famous of German novelists, who has been called the German Dickens, and who represents an individuality of his own strong enough to have created a demand for his books which is almost unequaled. Seed Time and Harvest is one of Reuter's most representative works and will amply repay its reader.

HILA DARE, A BORN ROMP. By Mary E. Mumford. Published by William B. Evans & Co., Philadelphia. For sale by R. S. Davis & Co., Pittsburgh.

This story is full of vim, and will be relished by young people. The characteristics of the life of the young heroine are sketched in fine style. It ought to and doubtless will be a popular work.

REAL FOLKS. By A. D. T. Whitney, author of "We Girls," etc. Published by J. R. Osgood & Co., Boston.

The chief excellence of this delightfully told story is that it presents persons and things in their real light, without attempting to picture them in the usual and unnatural style of some writers. In a negative manner it deals sharply with the prevailing shams of the day. The author of that capital work, "We Girls," couldn't well write anything that was not interesting.

HESTER KIRTON. By Katharine S. Macquoid author of "A Bad Beginning," etc. Published by J. B. Lippincott & Co., Philadelphia.

This story is gracefully written, and gives a picture of society that will interest the lovers of light fiction. The volume is prettily bound and otherwise attractive.

LIZE MACDONALD; OR A WINTER IN THE WOODS OF MAINE. By S. F. Keene, author of "Orient Boys," etc. Published by Henry Hoyt, Boston.

Young people will be delighted with this romance, as the scenes depicted are varied and exciting. The rovings of the company of boys and their exploits are happily told, and will be richly relished by youthful readers.

THE ASHMAN'S PAINTER'S ILLUSTRATED MANUAL. Published by S. R. Wells, New York.

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PICTURE POEMS FOR YOUNG FOLKS, by Marian Douglas, with illustrations. Boston: James R. Osgood & Co. Pittsburgh: Pittock & Co. A very holiday gift, and one that will not fail to please the children.

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BIVOUAC AND BATTLE, or The Struggles of a Soldier, by Oliver Optic, author of Young America Abroad. Illustrated. Boston: Lee & Shepard. Pittsburgh: R. S. Davis & Co. One of the series in which Phil. Farringford is the hero. Descriptive, entertaining and interesting, like all the books from Oliver Optic's Pen; for boys.

THE manager of the London *Graphic* has written to Mayor Medill, of Chicago, asking him to accept for the new City Hall a grand allegorical picture, now being executed by E. Armitage, of the Royal Academy, commemorative of the city's great disaster, and of the sympathy and good will displayed between the United States and Great Britain on that occasion.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

[Correspondence Pittsburgh GAZETTE.]

WASHINGTON, December 28, 1871.

MISREPRESENTATIONS CORRECTED.

The New York and Chicago *Tribunes*, and several other papers, opposed to the renomination of General Grant, greatly misrepresented the late contest in the Senate on the subject of creating a committee on investigation of the Civil Service. If these investigations were not calculated to throw discredit upon the entire Republican party, they might be passed by in silence, for their intriguing and personal character is sufficiently exhibited when they hold President Grant responsible for the votes and conduct of the thirty-five Republican Senators who voted for a standing, instead of a special committee. Senators Morrill of Vermont, and Howe of Wisconsin, and others are no more like ly to ask Grant how to vote than Carl Schurz.

The question of standing or special committees was solely incidental. The real and only difference between the Democrats and their pseudo Republican allies and the Republicans was whether said committee should be clothed with the extraordinary power, which no other committee has and which a number of Senators deem unconstitutional of instituting *ex parte* investigations, without the knowledge of the Senate. The Republican majority declared that they would grant this power of sending for persons and papers whenever a Senator would propose the investigation of a particular subject, which would meet the approbation of the majority. If they had, under the threats of the N. Y. *Tribune*, succumbed and used to guard the constitutional liberties of all the people—be they members of the civil service or in private life—they would have committed a weak and foolish act, and so far as proper bounds have been exceeded, the Democrats and their allies are clearly responsible. As soon as the people understand that the only difference between the sensible majority and spiteful minority was whether a roving and uncontrollable star chamber commission should be set to work, or whether all investigations should be conducted according to methods heretofore practiced, they will rest satisfied that in general as in this instance wisdom has prevailed among our national counsellors on the side of the administration.

PROTECTION AND ANTI-PROTECTION.

It is announced that the tariff and revenue reformers are fully organized and are acting in union with the American Free Trade League, with several representatives here during the session, while the tariff men are not well organized, and only Pennsylvania is moving for general protection. It is understood that all the tariff men are willing to go as far as the Secretary of the Treasury recommends, except as to the reduction of fifty per cent. on the duty on coal and salt. The Ways and Means Committee are so organized that protection will look to the Senate for support, and even here a great change has been effected and Senators will advocate lower duties than they would have done last session. The salt companies of New York, Ohio, Michigan and West Virginia have entered a vigorous protest against the fifty per cent. reduction of the duty on salt.

GREEDY FOR PLUNDER.

The Democratic papers are just now making themselves very officious in regard to the operation of the new rules which will govern the civil service after the new year under the orders of the President. The present employees are denounced as an "army of incapables quartered in the National Treasury." The modest war which Democrats and those who favor them are making on the army of incapables is more deserved by the powers that be here than at first appears. The fact is that nothing but kicking by their enemies will ever arouse the heads of Bureaus to weed out the old incompetent Democratic pensioners from our Departments, and it is well known that most of the idlers and shirkers are those who have frozen to office and Democracy under his accidency, Andrew Johnson, or away back since Buchanan's day. When, therefore, it is assumed by greedy advocates and practitioners of the doctrines "to the victor belongs the spoils" that there is not in the Republican party sufficient competent men and women to perform the civil service of the Government and that competitive examination will give to *them* the patronage out of which to work up the power to return again to the Jackson policy of making an indiscriminate dismissal of political opponents, it is about time that Democratic incompetency be looked after and that examinations be applied to them.

COMPETITIVE RASCALITY.

It is said by those who know that Major Hodge, at present bookkeeper in the Albany Penitentiary, was the most marvellously well qualified in scholarship and every other respect, *except morality*, for the position, which he prostituted for gain to the amount of nearly half a million dollars, that ever filled the office of paymaster. It is also suggested that if the Democrats could procure his pardon and establish a purely competitive examination as to competency, he would go up head on the list of Democratic civil servillians. Why not? But if he should fail as a representative Democrat, there are a number of aspirants to office in New York, whose experience in Tammany ought to qualify them for an admirable test examination in big figures, and fit them for making large savings of the public money! If not, why not?

No important business requiring attention, and some of the members of the Cabinet being absent from the city, the regular Tuesday session was omitted, and there will be no Cabinet meeting until to-morrow.

M. Catacazy, the late Russian Minister, is bidding good bye to his friends here, and will soon leave us disconsolate for the want of regular Catacazy bulletins of news. He expected to be vindicated by his Government, although he cannot reply to the official indictments against him.

AGATE.

CARROLL SANBORN, the renwoned "gentleman burglar," is dead. He breathed his last on Sunday morning in the jail at Lawrence, Mass. Early in October, Sanborn got a mortal wound in a fight with a constable named Donovan. The latter was bent on arresting his man, and succeeded with this result. It is said that Sanborn made friends of all who approached him while in jail, and that he gave up freely all the property he had stolen. He seems altogether to have been a singular character. In all respects, save his mania for burglary, he lived a pure and even exemplary life. He could not be innoxicating drink and no tobacco. He was scrupulously faithful to his wife and tenderly attached to his family. His clergyman and physician concur in extolling his amiable and attractive disposition and gentlemanly manners. They say that he really did not care to accumulate wealth, and had none but kindly feelings for his fellow-men. His sole fault was his inextinguishable passion for midnight burglary, a form of colossal kleptomania, which, strive as he might, he could not control. The unhappy man escaped the last disgrace of being doomed to the State Prison. He pleaded guilty to the charges against him in the Superior Court; but he died in the arms of his wife before the Bench had time to pronounce his sentence.—*N. Y. Times.*

THE New York *Evening Post* says: We regret to learn that the efforts of Mr. Bergh to protect brutes from suffering are not always appreciated by the objects of his disinterested kindness. Finding in Mr. Barnum's custody last week a hyena which was chained by the neck to the floor of his cage, Mr. Bergh insisted on his release. On Saturday the delicate task was accomplished. The creature during the night, gnawed his way through the walls to a neighboring cage, and there undertook to eat up at once a tiger and a leopard; but the two together reciprocated his carnivorous attentions, and the three parties damaged. The hyena then broke out, and ravaged the rink, killing one valuable camel, biting nice tenderloins out of a couple of ponies, and spreading dismay throughout the animal kingdom, until the keepers came in the morning. It is rumored that Mr. Barnum is about to sue Mr. Bergh for damages; but this would be quite as absurd as it was to toss the hyena and the man who is advised to do either ought to seek better counsellors. If the effect of long confinement on beasts of prey is thus to intensify their fury, however, let the reformers beware how Tweed and Connolly are let loose from their present "bond."

THE Duke of Richmond says of the Queen of Great Britain that, in all matters of a public character requiring her attention—in regard to the relations between herself and the Ministers of the Crown, there was no part of their business which had not been completely conscientiously, and thoroughly carried out by Her Majesty; and there was no person who had ever treated the Ministers of the day with greater consideration than the Queen. Whether the Minister was a Conservative or a Liberal, he had the full confidence of the sovereign and of the country. She gave him the most undoubting confidence, and on every occasion he was welcome to discuss with her any points which might require her decision.

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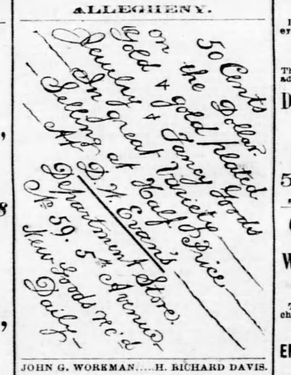

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Robinson Bros., No. 78 Fourth avenue, furnish the following comparative quotations to bonds and stocks, from their latest advices by wire:

	Thursday.	Friday.
Bonds—1871	117¾	118
5-20—1862	110¾	110¾
" 1864	109¾	109¾
" 1865	111¾	112
" 1865 new	114¼	114¾
" 1867	115¾	115¾
1868	115¾	115¾
10-40s	109¾	109¾
Currency 6's	114¾	115
Gold	108¾	108¾
RAILWAYS		
New York Central	94¾	95¾
Do Scrip	89¾	90¾
Erie	22	22¼
Reading	111¾	111¾
Lake Shore	92¾	92¾
Do Scrip		129¾
Cleveland & Pittsburgh	129	106¾
Rock Island	106¾	107¾
Chicago & N.W.	91¾	92
Do. Preferred	90	91¾
St. Paul. Common	53¾	53¾
Do. Preferred	78¾	78¾
Wabash	70	71
Do. Preferred		
Ohio & Mississippi	45	45¾
Pacific Mail	53¾	53¾
West. Union Telegraph	69¾	70¾
Adams Express	91	91
U. S. Express	61¾	64¾
Wells, Fargo	56	56
PHILADELPHIA BOARD.		
Penna. Central	58¼@	58¾
Reading R. R.	56 @	56¾
Camden & Amboy	128 @	129
Lehigh Navigation	38¾@	39
Oil Creek & Allegheny R. R.	47¾@	47¾
Central Transportation	47¾@	47¾
Pittsburgh Transportation	54 @	55
Union Transportation		
Pittsburgh City 5's	74 @	75
U. S. 6's, 1881	9- @	94
Lehigh Valley R. R.	61 @	61¾
Phila. & Erie	24¾@	24¾

Closing quotations as received by James T. Brady & Co.:

Gold	109	5-20 Jan. & Jy.	65 114¼
U. S. 6-30s 1881	107	10-40s Jan. & Jy.	68 109¾
U. S. 5-20s '62	109¾	5-30 Jan. & Jy.	'68 115¾
U. S. 5-20s '64	109¾	U. P. R. R.	
U. S. 5-20s '65	112	U. P. L. R.	
U. S. 10-40s	110	Cy. Pacifics	

—The Chicago *Tribune* of Thursday says: In the local money market matters continue very quiet. The demand for money is moderately active, but the banks are meeting the wants of customers pretty freely. A return movement of currency to the country seems to have begun, some of the banks here having received large amounts from that direction to-day, orders from country banks for currency seem to have ceased altogether, some of the country banks are also ordering remittances from here to New York. These facts indicate a light business in the country during the current week, and the accumulation of currency here and the flush in New York certainly indicate the probability of a temporary return flow of currency to New York. This latter movement and the dividend payments which will begin to come out on the first of next week will probably relieve the stringency in the money market to that city, and if, in addition to this, the Secretary of the Treasury devises some means of pushing a large proportion of the $20,000,000 of currency now in the government vaults, into circulation, there will be a great reaction in the money market some time next month. Money will be abundant, and speculation will be stimulated.

—The Philadelphia *Ledger* of Thursday says: The money market is reported comparatively quiet, but the demand is too great. Strictly first-class paper sells at from 7@8 per cent., and on collateral well known as first-class 8 to 10 per cent. Loans on call to well-known borrowers 6 to 7 per ct. Inferior paper is slow and difficult of negotiation.

NEW YORK, December 29, 1871.

Gold opened 109¾, and advanced to 109¾; closed quiet at 108¾@¾ths. Loans were from 5-64 down; 7 per cent for carrying. Clearances $55,000,000. Governments strong and active, showing an advance of from ¼ to ⅝ per cent. Stocks opened strong and were very active all day; Western Union Telegraph, Erie, Northwestern and Wabash were the principal stocks. Western Union selling up to 71¾; Erie to 23¾; Northwestern to 68¾, and Wabash 71¾@72. Late in the day the ⅞'s sold off from ⅛ to ¼, with the exception of Wabash, which is steady; market closed very active. Late in the afternoon there was a great deal of excitement in the board room owing to the purchase of some stock for account of a young member of the board, who was a large seller of stocks. The member says he is perfectly solvent, and that this has occurred through some awkward mistake. Money during the forenoon was 7 per cent. per day; later it was loaned at 6 per cent. gold. In State bonds, Tennessees dull and lower; Missouri firm, and South Carolina new steady.

Sterling exchange 109¾.

GOVERNMENTS.—Coupons of 1881, 118; 5-20s '62, 109¾; do '64, 111; do '65 old, 111¾; do '65 new, 114¾; do '67, 115¾; do '68, 115¾; 10-40s, 109¾; currency 6s, 115.

STATE BONDS.—Mississippi, 98¾; Tennessee, old, 62; do new, 63¾; Virginia, new, 55; do old, 56; North Carolina, old, 31; do new, 13.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Western Union Telegraph, 70¾; Quicksilver, 26¾; Adams Express, 59¾; Wells-Fargo, 56; American Merchants Union, 29; United States Pacific Mail, 53¾; New York Central, 95; do Scrip, 90¾; Erie, 32¾; do preferred, 68; Harlem, 118; do preferred, 128; Reading, 111¾; Michigan Central, 114; Cleveland & Pittsburgh, 128¾; Northwestern, 67¾; do preferred, 90; Rock Island, 107¾; New Jersey Central, 100; St. Paul, 54¾; do preferred, 78¾; Wabash, 71¾; do preferred, 84; Ft. Wayne, 95; Terre Haute, 16; do preferred, 35; Chicago & Alton, 118; do preferred, 121; Ohio & Mississippi, 45⅝; C. C. & C., 88¾; Burlington & Quincy, 127; Lake Shore, 92¾; Panama, 99; Illinois Central, 141; Union Pacific, 28¾; Central Pacific bonds, 83¾; Union 6s, 93¾.

Receipts Pig Metal, Ore and Blooms.

CLEVELAND & PITTSBURGH R. R.

	cars.		cars.
Spang, C. & Co., ore	4	Graff, B & Co. ore	2
Spang, C & Co. met.	3	Coleman, R & Co., or	1
Moorhead & Co., o...	1	Shoenberger & Co., oil	
Brown & Co. ore	2	Boyd, G & Co. metal	1
Byers, McC & Co. o	2	Union Mills, metal.	1
Wharton Bro. ore	2	Zug & Co. metal	1
Kennedy & Co. ore	1	Moorhead & Co. metal	1
Total			23

PITTSBURGH, F. W. & C. R. R.

Graff, B. & Co., m.	17	Spang, C & Co. metal	2
Lindsay, McC & Co m	1	Lewis, B & D. metal	1
Hallman & H. metal	1	Meriden, T & Co m.	2
Bryan & C. metal...	6	Nimick & Co. metal	31
Total			62

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

J Moorhead metal...	5	Bryan & C. metal...	1
J Wood Sons & Co m	4	Hallman & H. metal	1
J Reamer, metal	3	Lloyd & Black, met.	1
J W. Parker metal..	1		
Total			16

ALLEGHENY VALLEY R. R.

Lindsay & McC met.	2	H Woodsides, metal	2
Total			4

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

Foreign Markets.

LONDON, December 29, 5 P. M.—Consols 92¾ @ 93¾ for '67, 92¾ @ 93 for '65, 91¾ @ 92¾ for '69, 91¾ @ 92¾ for new 5-20s, 91¾.

PARIS, December 29.—Rentes 55f 85c. Specie in the Bank of France has decreased 85,000 francs.

LIVERPOOL, December 29.—Cotton quiet; middling uplands 9¾@10d. California wheat 12s 7d; red western spring 11@11s 4d; red winter 11s 6d. Flour 25@28s. Corn 31s 6d. Cheese 63s.

New York.

NEW YORK, December 29.—Cotton quiet and unchanged; middling upland 2c. Flour less active; superfine western and State $5.50@5.65; common to good $6.25@6.55; good to choice $6.45@7; white wheat extra $7@7.15; extra Ohio $6.40@7. Rye flour and corn meal unchanged. Whisky heavy and lower at 93c. Wheat dull and declined; no receipts; spring No 2, in store, $1.46@1.48, winter red western $1.56@1.59; amber $1.60@1.63; white $1.62@ 1.72. Rye dull and unchanged. Barley dull; western 85c@$1 Canada, West, $1.14. Malt quiet. Corn less active and prices unchanged; moderate export and home demand; new western mixed afloat 72@75c; new yellow 77c. Oats quiet and unchanged; western and Ohio in store and afloat 34@36c. Eggs dull and heavy at 33¾@36c. Hay dull and in buyer's favor; shipping $1.35@1.40; retail $1.50@1.80. Hops firm. Coffee firm; Rio 19@21¾c. Sugar dull; Cuba 8¾@9¾c; fair to prime Orleans 8¾@9c. Rice 8¾@9¾c. Petroleum: crude 13¾@14c; Refined 23@23¼c. Turpentine firm at 47c. Pork unsettled; new mess $14.50@15, old $13.25@13.50; prime $12.25; new prime $11.50@14; mess for April $15.00. Beef steady; plain mess $7@11; extra $13@14. Hams quiet and steady. Lard firmer dull, new prime mess $16@17; India $19 @20. Dressed hogs firmer at $5.90@6.05. Cut meats quiet; shoulders 5@6c; hams 9@10c. Middles firmer; short ribs 7¼c; short clear 7¾c. Lard firmer; No. 1 to prime steam 9@9¼c; prime kettle rendered 9¾c; January 9¾c; March 10@10¼c. Butter and cheese unchanged.

Live Stock.

NEW YORK, December 29.—Weather unfavorable, but too light run of all kinds of stock to prevent strong market, and any advance. Beeves 500 head; 50 Texans arrived for the week. Light run also on the way here; all sold early at about ¼c advance or 10 @20c higher than Thursday for fair, and 15@ 25c for prime. Nine cars Illinois six half cwt. sold at 10¾c, 57 lbs per cwt. No Texan. Sheep: only two cars to-day and 7,600 for the week. Very little trade for want of stock. Prices slightly advanced; two cars Illinois, 94 lbs., selling at 6¾c; car 139 lb. Canada, 6¾c. Hogs: 9 cars to-day and 22,800 this week 5c advance; car 200 lb. Ohio, 5 1-16c; car 200 lb. Indiana, 4¾c; dressed sold at 5¾@6¾c; those of 400 lbs. and up, 6c; corn dressed 7¾@8¾c.

ALBANY, December 29.—The supply of cattle is short, being 30 cars short of last week; the average quality is good; there is the increase in price at Buffalo; sellers demand ¼ @¾c advance and secured it; range from $4.75 to $6.62½; demand for which cows sold, and market drooping, with a good supply. Supply of sheep and lambs light; quality fair on an average, but not extra prime; prices rule ¼@¾c higher; range $4.50@6.25; coarse $5.75@7; lambs $6.50@7.75.

BUFFALO, December 29.—Cattle: receipts 21 cars. Market closes active; prices steady and unchanged; sales 100 head; Western feeders $5.12½@6.10; 40 New York steers 1,382 lbs $6.25; 18 Michigan 1,040 lbs $6.65. Sheep: none and wanted; sales 200 head; 200 held over. Hogs: receipts 1,400; market active and prices a shade better; sales at 4.25@ 4.62½ for common to choice.

Chicago.

CHICAGO, December 29.—Flour quiet and weak; range $4.30@4.75. Wheat demand good, but offers limited; No. 2 spring $1.38½; No. 2 $1.38¾; No. 3 $1.08¾; seller January $1.38¾, $1.18¾; seller last half month $1.36@1.36¾; seller all of January or February $1.38¾; rejected; No. 2 mixed 40¾c; rejected 37¾@38c; car 44c on track; seller January 40¾c; seller April 43@43¾c. Oats quiet and unchanged; No. 2 31¾c; rejected 28¾@29c; February 32¾c. Rye steady; No. 2 62¾@63c. Barley active and advanced; No. 2 fall, seller February 62¾c. Pork active and advanced, $13.25@13.30; seller January, $13.85@13.95; February, $13.65 @13.70; March, $13.45@13.55. Lard: market firmer at 8¾c; seller February, 8¾@9c. Hams, S. C. unchanged. Green meats firm but unchanged. Bulk meats firm but unchanged. Beef hams unchanged. Hogs advanced; $4.10 @4.80 for common to fair; $4.85@4.90 for good to extra quality; the top offered was excellent; dressed $5@5.10. Whisky dull and drooping; no transactions.

6, P. M.—Wheat closed at $1.18¾@1.18¾ for January; $1.20¾@1.20¾ for last half; $1.21¾@ 1.22 for February. Corn closed at 40¾@40¾c for January, and 41¾c for last half. Hogs closed steady and firm; no change in rates.

Cincinnati

CINCINNATI, December 29.—Cotton dull and declined; middling 19@19½c. Flour and grain unchanged. Lard unchanged. Eggs scarce and firm. Butter dull and unchanged; 20@25c. Pork firm and nominal $13.50@13.75. Hard bacon 7¾c; clear sides 8¾c; clear 8¾c. Sugar cured Bulk meats firm: shoulders 5c; sides 5¾@6c; clear sides 6¾@6¾c. Bacon firm; shoulders 6c; sides clear 7¾@8c; sides clear rib 8¼c; clear 8¾@9c. Hogs advanced at opening, but closed lower and weak; $4.45@4.75. Whisky 91c. Green meats firm; shoulders 4¾c; sides 6¾c. Hams 7¾@8¾c.

Milwaukee.

MILWAUKEE, December 29.—Flour: extra spring firm; $5.50@5.65 for medium; $5.70@6.50 for choice to fancy. Wheat dull and declined; No. 1 $1.31; No 2 $1.18¾; rejected $1.07¾; no grade $1.00. Corn: No 2 easier at 32c. Corn: No 2 mixed firmer at 40¾c. Rye: No 1 quiet at 64c. Barley: No 2 fall nominal at 75c. Hogs: Prices advanced to $5.10; live $4@4.35; dressed $5.10@ 5.15. Provisions firm. Mess pork held at $13.25. Hams unchanged at 9@9½c. Lard: Franklin canton flannels 15c, and Willow Brook tubs 15c.

Louisville.

LOUISVILLE, December 29.—Tobacco: sales very light and prices still ½ lagging. Bagging quiet at 17½c. Cotton dull: middling 19¾c. Flour active. Grain quiet and unchanged. Provisions quiet. Mess pork $13.50. Bacon: shoulders 7¼c; clear rib sides 7¾c. Hams: sugar-cured 14c; do plain 13c. The total number of hogs killed this season is estimated at 300,000; the official returns are not made up yet by the packers.

Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, December 29.—Flour dull and weak. Indiana and Ohio $7.25@7.50. Wheat dull; State and western red $1.35@1.36. Rye held at 92c. Corn quiet; new yellow 69@ 70c; mixed western 70@71c. Oats steady; white 39@54c; mixed 35c. Groceries and provisions unchanged. Whisky dull at 91c.

Toledo.

TOLEDO, December 29.—Flour dull and unchanged. Wheat quiet and unchanged; extra white Michigan $1.53; amber Michigan $1.49; new red $1.41; No. 2 do $1.38; No. 3 do $1.30; firm; high mixed 48c; low 47@47½c; Michigan 48c. Oats dull and nominal; No. 1 39½c; No. 2 38c; Michigan 39c. Rye steady at $1.07@1.08. Clover seed steady at $6.00.

Cleveland.

CLEVELAND, December 29.—Wheat quiet and firm; No 1 red winter $1.40; No 2 $1.36; Corn dull and nominal; new 52c. Oats steady at 44c. Refined steady and in active demand; both in car lots 22@22½c; small lots of crude petroleum held at 22½@23c.

Detroit.

DETROIT, December 29.—Wheat steady; extra $1.50@1.56; No 1 white $1.46; amber $1.40; Corn firm; No 1 50c for yellow ear, and 48c. Clover seed $6.25. Dressed hogs higher; shippers pay $5.00.

IMPORTS BY RAILROAD.

PITTSBURGH, FORT WAYNE AND CHICAGO RAILROAD, December 29.—18 pkgs butter, Watt, L & Co; 1 do, do, J A Graff & Co; 1 do alcohol, Harris & E; 4 do do, R E Sellers & Co; 20 do spirits, Bittell & Meehling; 106 ten sacks Walker, Cooper & Co; 1 do do, Coleman, R & Co; 2 cars g shoulders, E H Myers & Co; 500 bbls flour, Shoemaker & Co; 200 do do, do; 100 do do, do; 100 do do, Watt, L ang & Co; 1 car s iron, W J Hammond; 7 sks rags, J W Drake; 3 cars ores, Byers, McC & Co; 19 do do, Hammond & Son; 4 sks d apples, 2 do beans, 2 do corn, 3 bbls butter, 11 do eggs, 10 do apples, Voigt, M & Co; 4 sks lard, P Graff & Son; 125 bbls spirits, etc, Hare Bro; 74 do do, McWhinney & Co; 1 car oats, D Brady & Co; 4 pkgs butter, 3 bbls d apples, W A Graff; 1 car barley, J Rhodes; 35 do broom, Dilworth, H & Co; 12 rolls leather, Delange & Co; 1 do do, J Callery; 1 kg eggs, J Porterfield; 18 d hogs, Beckert & B; 3 bbls cider, 11 do potatoes, H Rea; 21 bbls meal, Arbuckles & Co; 50 bbls flour, 196 sks feed, Jno Henkie; 18 bbls flour, Atwell & Lee; 10 bbl d peaches, Houck, J & Co; 1 car hay, Graff & Co; 153 hides, W Flaccus & Son; 20 sks b w flour, J O'Brien; 16 sks b w flour, J B Campbell.

PITTSBURGH CINCINNATI AND ST. LOUIS RAILROAD COMPANY, December 28.—1 chest 1 bx clothing, J McDonald; 1 bx, John McDonald; 1 bx frames, J W Morrison; 2 box frames, H Hall; 74 bx d apples, 3 bx do, 4 bx d peaches, Houck, J & Co; 1 bx wood, Boyd Murray; 2 bx wood, L J Bricht; 1 bbl p ins, Volkshaitt; 1 bbl p ins, Fitzroy, N & Co; 2 do meats, E H Rollins & Co; 50 candles, S H Beird; 10 bbls oil, R D Clark & Co; 24 wagon wheels, 6 bdls, McDowell & H; 7 do do, 1 do do, Ergle & Burns; 3 cases tobacco, D Zongschmidt; 60 tes lard, W B Hays & Son; 1 car barley, F Shields; 99 sks wheat, McHenry & H; 3 bbls d apples, 4 kgs do, 10 sks feathers, J Dickey & Co; 7 hnds sugar, Dilworth H & Co; 1 do tobacco, A Schaub; 7 sks feathers, Boocock & G; 25 kegs pig feet, Reese Owens; 140 bbls cement, Isling & McKaplip.

ALLEGHENY STATION December 29.—160 apples, J Herbert; 14 bgs i seed, M B Bydam; 2 bbls tallow, 42 bdls hides, Lange & Weise; 1 car lumber, J McBriar; lot carriage ware, J McCutcheon; 4 cars lumber, W M Cummings; 100 bgs shorts, McCord & B; 203 sks oats, Franklin & Co; 2 cars staves, J M Hemphill; 27 hides, A Holsteine; 7 pkgs poultry, 5 do eggs, L Crouse; 1 car hay, M West & Co; 2 bbls meal, S P Armstrong & Co; 1 bx lard, H & C Magin; 14 sks b w flour, 14 bag, 3 bgs, 3 pkgs butter, 2 do poultry, 1 do eggs, L L Bick; 8 do butter, 5 do poultry, 3 do eggs, F Gilnert; 10 do poultry, 4 do butter, F Essen; 1 do butter, 2 do poultry, 1 do beans, R Carson; 2 bbls tallow, W & H Walker; 4 do do, 51 hides, J Staucard.

ALLEGHENY VALLEY RAILROAD, December 29.—1 car lime, Henderson Bro; 11 pkgs poultry, butter & eggs, A C Foster; 5 do do, Hiltz; 11 do do, W Stewart; 10 do do, J C Cuddy; 15 do do, Z C Schengost; 3 do do, H F Bruggeman; 104 hogs, J Diamond; 12 pkgs butter, D Cements; 1 sk wool, W Welsh & Co; 20 sks wheat, Scott & G; 23 bbls flour, Rinehart & S; 7 bbls poultry, 21 Gerwig & Son; 34 bills hides, 1 do wool, C Kohn; 1 bbl poultry, A J Blanchard; 5 rolls leather, J Hammett Son.

CLEVELAND AND PITTSBURGH RAILROAD COMPANY, December 29.—1 car hay, 1 do wheat, Wm Wells & Co; 140 bbls apples, J A Graff; 1 vice, Kloman, B & Co; 2 cases cigars, Austin & Co; 11 bgs meal, P Duff & Son; 67 bills paper, Pitts Paper Mfg Co; 7 d hogs, H J McCracken Bro; 98 sks rags, McCullough, S & Co; 6 pkgs g wads, Baker, Bell, J & Co; 4 cars ore, Rees, Graff & Co; 3 cars hay, Brady & Co; 99 sks wheat, Marshall, K & Co; 18 doz brooms, Hurd & M.

WEST PENNA. RAILROAD COMPANY, December 29—1 pkg poultry, Paul & Gibson; 4 bbls. H. Hulterhan; 19 hides, J W Shaw; 67 bills Kahn; 4 dressed hogs, W Welsh & Co; 1 bx bacon, H Smith; 4 pkgs butter, Bartley Bro; 2 do do, Phillips & N; 1 car lumber, Coleman & Son.

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RIVER NEWS.

The weather has again moderated and the indications at this writing are very favorable for an immediate resumption of navigation. Thermometer, at 5 p. m., 35 above zero against 18 same time on Thursday—wind very changeable. River falling with 6 feet 6¾ inches in the channel.

The Allegheny river continues to put out considerable ice, but it is not so heavy, and if the weather would continue soft, it will be almost if not entirely clear within the next twenty-four hours.

The Monongahela river packet, Elizabeth, arrived and departed yesterday.

The Arlington, at last accounts was laid up in the mouth of the Muskingum river.

Rogers & Wallace, coal merchants, had a barge of coal cut down by the ice at Hay's Bar. They had two barges there, one of which was saved.

—A correspondent writes to the Cincinnati *Commercial* as follows: Will you be kind enough to enlighten an ignorant boatman on the following point: During the Convention of steamboatmen at Louisville, Commodore Kountz rather gently alluded to the outrageous conduct of Samuel Houston, as an Inspector of steamboats, appointed by the Government, and in an empathic manner drew the attention of the Convention to his base actions. Mr. Houston afterward published a card, giving his defence. Since then I have not heard any more of the subject. What I want to know is, whether any action in this matter has been taken by the Government. Knowing you are more familiar with this matter than any other journal, I submit the question to you.

To this the *Commercial* responds as follows: "Gen. Houston has been here referred against Supervising Inspector Houston, but as yet there has been no action taken in the case, it being under advisement. Houston still lives."

—Capt. Geo. Wadderrriff reported a telegram from Salt river yesterday to the effect that the Tom Rees and barges were in the hands of the United States Marshal. The contract for this was the sinking of the barge Annie Beaver at New Orleans, which the Louisville marine officer claims was conducted, and they thus seek to make the boat pay for the cargo of the barge. The Enterprise and Globe companies, of this city, came forward promptly and paid their risks. Capt. V. will leave for Louisville to-day to give bond and release the Rees and her barges.

—The proposed bridge across the Mississippi, at Carondelet, will be commenced early in the coming season. It will be iron, and adapted for railways, with crossing for wagons, &c. below. Its entire length, including trestlework, will be 2,374 feet. Its estimated cost is $2,000,000.

The Kate Kearney, sunk at Island 82, was built at Pittsburgh in 1864, and measured 573.87 tons. Cincinnati companies had risks on her as follows: National, $2,500; Farmers', Kingston, $1,000; and the remainder was in Wheeling offices.

The E. H. Durfee was aground at Ellra Townsend on Wednesday. The T. F. Eckert went to her assistance.

—The Mollie Ebert is still laid up at Cairo, waiting for the ice to come out and the river to rise.

—Capt. Geo. D. Moore has assumed command of the Mollie Moore again.

—Capt. Sam Gaunt arrived at St. Louis from Cairo on Wednesday.

STEAM PUMPS.

John M. Cooper,

No. 882 PENN STREET.

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ASSESSMENTS.

OFFICE OF CITY ENGINEER, CITY OF ALLEGHENY, Dec. 22, 1871.

NOTICE.—The assessment for the Grading, Paving and Curbing of Sedgwick street, from Pennsylvania to Washington avenues, is now ready for examination, and can be seen at this office until TUESDAY, January 2d, 1872, when it will be placed in the hands of the City Controller to serve notices for the payment of the same.

CHAS. DAVIS, de23:3d City Engineer.

PITTSBURGH, December 28, 1871.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the assessment for Grading, Curbing and Paving of Penn avenue, from Fifth to Shady lane, under provisions of the Penn Avenue Improvement Act, is now ready for examination and can be seen (for the correction of errors) at H. Rieke's store, on Fifth street, until January 15, 1872. After that time it will be handed over to the City Treasurer and a copy filed in the office of the Prothonotary of the Court of Common Pleas.

By order of the Board of Commissioners.

GEO. A. YAGLE, President.
G. F. ROMMEL, Secretary. de28 ja15

IN THE MATTER OF OPENING J. Roberts street. In the Court of Quarter Sessions of Allegheny county, Pa., at December Sessions No. 3, September Sessions 1870. Notice is given in the above case has been confirmed by said Court, and that the assessments for benefits are now in the hands of the City Attorney for collection, and if not paid within thirty days from date hereof, liens will be filed for the same, with interest, cost and fees.

J. F. SLAGLE, City Attorney.
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PITTSBURGH, December 11, 1871. de12:24d

OFFICE OF CITY ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR, } PITTSBURGH, December 4, 1871. }

NOTICE.—The assessments for the opening, Paving and Curbing of JUSTIN STREET, from Second to Forty-fifth street, for the Grading, Paving and Curbing of LOCUST ALLEY, from Forty-fifth to Forty-fourth street, are now ready for examination and can be seen at this office until December 30, when they will be returned to the Treasurer's office for collection.

de4:30d H. J. MOORE, City Engineer.

PROPOSALS.

TRIPARTITE BRIDGE CO.

To Bridge Builders and Contractors.

The Directors of the Tripartite Bridge Company are prepared to receive Proposals for the Construction or Erection of a Tripartite Bridge at the confluence of the Allegheny and Monongahela rivers.

Specifications can be seen and full information obtained at the Office of ROBINSON BROTHERS, Bankers, 78 Fourth avenue. Further information personal on which forms alone offers must be made can be obtained at the office, and must be returned not later than the 20th of JANUARY, 1872. The Directors do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any bid.

By order of the Board of Directors.

de18:26d DAVID ROBINSON, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE CONTROLLER OF ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PA., } PITTSBURGH, December 27, 1871. }

NOTICE TO BAKERS.

Sealed proposals addressed to "The Board of Inspectors of the Allegheny County Prison," will be received at this office until January 1, 1872, inclusive, for furnishing the County Prison with bread for 48 months, from January 1, 1872, to December 31, 1875, inclusive, and to be of such a proved quality. Bids to be made at so much per pound. Bond for $2,000 will be required for faithful performance of contract. The name of the surety or sureties must accompany the bids, endorsed by the Warden, and probated at this office will be paid monthly.

HENRY LAMBERT, de27:3d Controller.

INDUSTRIAL WORKS,

Cor. Point Alley and Duquesne St.,

(NEAR THE POINT.)

HUGH M. BOLE,

PROPRIETOR.

Manufacturer of Steamboat and Stationery Engines of all kinds.

Special attention is invited to their new Stationary Oil Well Engine and Portable Boiler, 15 horse power.

Castings of all kinds can be had on short notice and warranted to be of the best metals.

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Boquets and Baskets of Flowers.

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JOHN R. & A. MURDOCH,

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112 Smithfield St.,

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CITY OF ALLEGHENY, PA., TREASURER'S OFFICE, Dec. 27, 1871.

ALLEGHENY CITY COMPROMISE BONDS WANTED.—Persons holding Compromise Bonds of the City of Allegheny, Pa., are hereby notified that the Sinking Fund for 1871 will be invested in those Bonds at the lowest rates offered. Proposals will be received by the undersigned until TUESDAY, January 2d, 1872.

JAMES McCARGO, Treasurer of the City of Allegheny, Pa.

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PRODUCE—In Store and arriving

DRIED PEACHES—50 bbls choice halves. 15 sacks

DRIED APPLES—15 bbls bright quarters. NAVY BEANS—25 bbls choice Navy.

LARD—Prime new country in bbls and kegs.

For sale by J. B. CANFIELD, de4 14 First avenue.

SHARPSBURG ACADEMY.—THE Second Term of the Academical year begins JANUARY 2d, 1872. Special attention is paid to the Normal Department.

For further information, address

de21:3d16 M. E. SCHEIBNER, Principal.

ARTIFICIAL STONE.

MILLS & CO.,

Office, corner of Liberty and Seventh avenue, Manufacturers of BUILDING STONE, SIDEWALKS, and ornamental work of every description.

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SPECIAL NOTICES.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

Drs. Jordan and Davieson,

Beg to inform their friends, patients and the public generally, that owing to their increase of practice they are compelled, reluctantly, to discontinue their branch offices in this city, and all future are to be consulted only at their HEAD OFFICE,

1625 Filbert Street, Philadelphia.

Free Publish PRACTICAL OBSERVATIONS ON NERVOUS DEBILITY AND PREMATURE DECAY, being a synopsis of Lectures delivered at the great Institute of Anatomy, 1857 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, to which is added an important essay on MARRIAGE, the whole illustrated with numerous interesting cases from actual practice. This interesting and important work will be forwarded on receipt of 25 cents, in stamps. Address

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PITTSBURGH HOMŒOPATHIC MEDICAL INSTITUTE, 264 PENN ST.—DR. AUGUSTUS SLEE, long and well-known as the acting physician and manager of Dr. William Butler Whittier's business of this city, takes this opportunity to inform the public and his patients that he has opened the above Institute for the treatment and cure of all special and nervous diseases. A most successful practice for eighteen years is sufficient guarantee in the future. Very special attention given to Spermatorrhœa or Nervous Debility which is now fearfully incurred. The effects of mercury eradicated. Long standing constitutional diseases skillfully treated and cured. The Doctor gives particular attention to female complaints. Send for the Doctor's pamphlet, a treatment in plain language, on venereal diseases sent by mail for two stamps. All old patients who desire to consult the Doctor are requested to call, as no further charge will be made for consultation, which is always free at the office. au8:87

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HOME NEWS.

Y. M. C. A.—The next free lecture in the Christian Association course will be delivered on Thursday evening next, by Rev. J. D. Herr. Subject, "The Hobbies We Ride."

Removal.—John J. McCormick, General Steamship and Draft Agent of 122 Smithfield street, will open on Monday, 8th January 2d, 1872, on the corner of Fourth avenue and Smithfield street, under McVay's Bank.

List of Letters held for postage in the Pittsburgh post office, December 29, 1871: Samuel B. Darcey, Allegheny city Pa., 3c.; Henery Donaldson, Hackamack, N. J., 1c; Kean & Clark, Koch Valley, Pa., 3c.; Theresa Neisker, White Ash, Pa., 1c.; C. H. Parker, Latrobe, Pa., 2c.

We have noticed in many instances during our walks through the principal thoroughfares that the same activity in business circles still manifested itself amongst certain of our dealers as well since as before Christmas. Usually there is a falling off in trade, but we should say, from all accounts Messrs. J. H. Reed & Co., No. 98 Fifth avenue, the popular Jewelers, that their trade is on the increase rather than on the decline. But then, no wonder, with such a large, varied and beautiful stock as we ought not to have credited the idea, that all their patrons could have purchased their goods in so limited a time as there is generally between the receiving of holiday jewelry and Christmas. It is not too late yet, however, as they still have duplicates of all their wares. Go and see them, even if you do not wish to purchase. A welcome awaits you.

Eleventh Ward Mission.

Rev. R. B. Ewing will preach a special New Year's sermon, under the auspices of the above Mission, to-morrow (Sabbath) evening in the hall of the Eleventh ward public school house, Granville street, near Wylie avenue, at half-past seven o'clock. Subject: "The Lessons of the Day," founded on I Chronicles 29: 15, "Our days on the earth are as a shadow and there is none abiding." This will be a rare opportunity of hearing such an important subject discussed by one of our ablest divines. Seats free.

Sheriff Sales.

Our worthy Sheriff, Hugh S. Fleming, Esq., elsewhere contributes his advertisement of valuable properties which, by the sad vicissitude of fortune for others, have come under his control, and will sell at public vendue to the hammer as noted. The list comprises some very desirable real estate in the city and country, which capitalists who are looking for good investments would do well to examine. Sheriff Fleming, with his efficient assistant, Mr. W. Parkhill, is constantly in his office, where with care and completeness so as to be of material benefit to those who wish to look up and examine any of the sites indicated.

Tokens and Remembrances.

The many and very numerous articles suitable and appropriate for a holiday present that we find at the elegant Jewelry Emporium of Mr. W. G. Dunseath, seem not only to captivate at the first glance the seeker of a remembrance for a friend, finds amongst the stock the very article desired. To be remembered with a costly gem is not necessary, and in many instances a present of less value is more highly prized by the recipient than the costliest of pearls or diamonds. We invite our friends to call at No. 56 Fifth avenue, the benefit of a call, and also invite them to price his goods before concluding their purchases.

A New Year's Dinner

Is something that we always look forward to, in anticipation of having something better and more palatable than our daily courses. In anticipation of this Messrs. John A. Renshaw & Co., grocers, corner of Liberty and Ninth streets, have made suitable provisions to meet the demands of the household, by adding to their already large stock of groceries, the following list in sufficient quantities to supply the trade: Matthy's Canned Oysters, Wright's Minced Meat, Whitcomb's Mushroom Catsup, Blackwell's Pickles, Sackett's Cranberries, Hunkin's Sauces, Wilson's Sweet and Sour Pickles, Peak, Frean & Co.'s London Crackers, Deb-ua Raisins, Shaker Dried Corn, English Stilton Cheese.

Painful Accident.

Yesterday Master John Breyvogle, a bright-eyed boy of fourteen, son of H. A. Freyvogle, Esq., of W. J. Anderson & Co., met with a painful and serious accident at the foundry of that firm on Water street. He had been playing with a companion lad, who by some means had obtained a paddle box full of gun powder. They had placed the box on the ground in the foundry and while Master Freyvogle was bending over, his companion thoughtlessly, ignited the powder and it blew up into his face, knocking him down. A workman who happened to see the accident picked up the prostrate lad, and his clothes were all afire, pushed him into a water tank, on examination it was found that his face and neck were severely burned and his eyebrows and hair were thoroughly singed. It is fortunate, however, that his eyes were saved, and that beyond a few scars the injuries will not prove permanently serious.

Christmas at West Liberty.

Christmas was a memorable day to the people of West Liberty, Lower St. Clair township, and vicinity. In the morning at ten o'clock, Knowlson M. E. Church was crowded with people of all ages, from two years old up to those of four-score and more, and women seeming for the time to be young again. The church was beautifully decorated with evergreens and flowers. A huge Christmas tree, laden with presents for all, and candles, formed the principal attraction to the little ones. Included in the opening exercises was a brief, appropriate address by Rev. R. J. Miller, of Temperanceville, and Rev. E. R. Jones, the popular young pastor at Knowlson. Rev. Mr. Miller said that "as the future success of the Nation depended upon the children of to-day, so the hope of the Church is in the Sunday School." Rev. Mr. Jones remarked that "as the Christmas tree came loaded with gifts, so Christ came into our world with blessings for humanity.

When the opening services were concluded, "Kriss Kingle," clad in the garments of age, walked up the aisle, carrying a Christmas tree, covered with gifts, and was introduced as "the old friend of the children." He had candles to all present, and before leaving made a short address. Many left at the close of departure, came candies, toys, books, &c., &c., in great abundance—each one had enough and to spare. The supper at the Christmas festival was in a great measure due to Mr. Frank L. Neeld, the indefatigable superintendent of the Knowlson Sunday School, aided by his able corps of officers and teachers.

We understand that extensive preparations are being made on the Thanksgiving M. E. Church for a treat on New Year's day, and a good time is anticipated. Banksville is also under the pastoral charge of Rev. E. R. Jones.

THE SOUTH SIDE MURDER.

The Coroner's Inquest—Verdict of the Jury.

The inquest on the remains of John Mahoney, who died from injuries received from a hatchet in the hands of John Cornichael, near Six Mile Ferry, in Baldwin township, on Christmas evening, was held yesterday afternoon, by Coroner West, in East Birmingham, the testimony adduced was as follows:

Officer John McCoy, sworn.—On Christmas night was at St. Peters fair; went out at 11½ o'clock to Ormsby; met a boy who said there was a man murdered; went to the house and went to the man who was sitting on a step on Carson street, between Twenty-ninth and Thirtieth; the man sitting there said to me if I was a police officer; said I was; he handed me a hatchet, and said he believed he had killed a man; took him to the lock-up and then went and found the wounded man lying about fifty yards from Franey's tavern in the direction of Six Mile Ferry; had him brought to the office of the Burgess of East Birmingham; called Drs. Pollock and Duff to dress his wounds.

Owen McDonnell and John Phelan being sworn corroborated Officer McCoy's testimony.

Wm. Franey, sworn—Reside in Monterey (Hoosierville); keep a hotel; at eleven o'clock on Christmas night heard a great noise before my house; some one was knocking at the door of a house near by; heard a man swear, and say "get up, I've killed a man; he's lying near my door, get up and see him;" heard the man too;" after he chopped awhile with the hatchet in his hand, he came near my door, and threatened to kill me; then he went to where his name was John Carmichael, and he did not care a dam for any man; he was a Scotchman.

Peter Stork, a German residing near Peter Dressler, testified that he lived next door to Franey's tavern, heard the noise between 11 and 12 o'clock, heard the word "Scotchman" pronounced, but could not understand anything else.

Thomas Mannion, sworn—Said he was the owner of the shanty in Baldwin Township, where the fuss was commenced. Everybody in the house had gone to bed before nine o'clock, except one; this one (pointing to Carmichael) knocked, and I refused to let him in, because he said he would kill every man in the house, and about nine o'clock three or four boarders came down stairs; they had nothing to their hands; the hatchet belonged to me; had used it during the day, and laid it down somewhere; when the men went out Carmichael ran from the shanty and then stopped and said he would fight any single man if he could get a club; one man struck at him once, and then said he did not want to fight, but said lost his hat; Carmichael said he would give him a dollar for his hat; don't know whether it was paid; they all came into the shanty, and Carmichael said he would fight any man for $2 or $3; my wife advised him to go home, if he was a married man; he went out and deceased followed him in about fifteen minutes; heard nothing more until informed next morning of what had happened; rest of boarders went to bed; deceased was pretty drunk in the afternoon, and was not sober at eight o'clock.

Mrs. Mannion, sworn—Have seen prisoner in my house; the men that I knew were Frank Coyle and Donnelly; man in the street was McNikles; Carmichael went out first, deceased next; then Bradley.

John Bradley, sworn—Corrigan and myself went to Franey's and got a drink; while there heard a noise in the street; came out and saw Carmichael and the others. Carmichael said he could fight any single man if he could get a club; he drank about a pint of whisky; was too drunk to remember anything much.

Dr. Pollock, sworn—Said he found deceased at the Infirmary Office on Tuesday morning, about four o'clock in a badly injured condition; had his head shaved and washed; took out a number of pieces of cloth that had been driven in upon his brain; found about twelve or fifteen wounds, several of which would have caused death; one on the top of the head as if it had been made with the hammer of a hatchet; one over the left ear and another over the nose; was unconscious and died from the injuries he received.

VERDICT.—John Mahoney came to his death in the office of the Burgess of East Birmingham on the 26th of December, 1871, from wounds inflicted on Monday evening, December 25th, by a hatchet in the hands of John Carmichael, near Six Mile Ferry, in Baldwin township.

It should be borne in mind that Messrs. Straub & Cross, the general hardware dealers at No. 71 Federal street, Allegheny, have a splendid assortment of fine hardware, such as skates, fine table cutlery, and everything in fact suitable for this particular season, as there is in the cities. We insist upon our readers who are about to purchase anything in this line to call before going further now, as they have a gift to give them a call. They have indeed a very fine collection, and being live and enterprising men, ought to receive a liberal share of the patronage so liberally

Hel[illegible] 1872 by [illegible] Young men, begin the year [illegible] sheep City, Ohio, [illegible] M. T. Heckert, Allegheny suite. Leave your [illegible] stylish and fashionable that you will receive [illegible] nothing doubting material used and the [illegible] experience in the [illegible] charged. His will not be clumsily fitted.

ALLEGHENY COUNCILS.

Special Meeting Last Night—Final Meeting of the Year—The Annual Reports from City Officers—Condition of the Various Departments—Old Business Finished Up—The Board of Health Abolished—Reduction in Official Newspapers—Farewell Flow of Fraternal Feeling.

Allegheny Councils for 1871 finished up its business in a special session last evening, a record of which is hereunto attached.

SELECT COUNCIL.

JAMES McBRIER.....President.
J. G. OXLEY.....Clerk.

Called to order at half-past seven o'clock. Present:

Messrs. Hall, Heasy, Riddle, Patterson, Negley, Moul, Kirkpatrick, Thompson, Wittmer, Omsler, Reineman, Schoyer and President McBrier.

President McBrier called for the special business to be considered.

Mr. RIDDLE moved the suspension of the rules in order that new business might be taken up. Carried.

Mr. RIDDLE presented a remonstrance against opening of Hope alley. Referred to Survey Committee.

THE WATER WORKS.

Mr. WITTACH presented the annual report of the Committee on Water, showing that during the year the water mains had been extended to the Ninth ward at a cost of $15,000; water mains had also been laid on Troy Hill, and this district being elevated above the reservoir, a tank, elevated forty feet is now in course of erection, which will supply the mains on Troy Hill with water. The cost will not exceed $10,000. The committee further refer to the building of the Lowry Plunger Engine, which would increase the water supply and state that they expected it would be finished in a few months. For other particulars of the water department, the committee referred to the report of the heads of departments.

Accompanying was the report of Superintendent Paul's report, which accompanied this paper, shows the net expenses of the Water Department for the year to have been $59,398.47, which includes the amount expended on permanent improvements, laying of water mains, &c. The net expenses of running the Water Works for the year were $17,762.47. During the year there were 145,562 bushels of coal consumed at the works. The amount expended for permanent improvements, such as extension of water pipe, materials, &c., &c., was $45,831.96. During the year there was received from the sale of ferrules, stop-gates and other small castings, &c., &c., $4,185.56. The works were in operation—counting the two sets of engines as one—twenty-four hours to a day—in all 414 days, and the average water supply was increased 10,074.20 gallons over 1870. Over four miles of new pipe were laid. Plans are now made and the work will be pushed forward to the rapid completion for the erection of the new Lowry engine by which twelve millions of gallons of water can be raised every twenty-four hours. The work will be done in the early part of the year.

The Superintendent further calls attention to the fact that the water supply in the Fifth and Sixth wards, though sufficient for domestic purposes, would not be in case of a conflagration, and recommended the extension of the twelve inch main by way of Rebecca street to that on Beaver avenue at West Ohio street, also the extension of the 16 inch main on Irwin avenue, and Jackson street to Beech street, and on Allegheny avenue from Beech street to Reed street.

Also, the report of the Water Assessor as follows:

STATISTICS OF THE CITY.

Gentlemen: I respectfully submit the following detailed report of the water assessments for the water year of 1871:

6934	Dwellings with stores and offices	$85,358.25
160	Offices and stores, seperate from dwellings	688.00
39	Dwellings with bakeries	460.00
179	Miscellaneous workshops	1,148.00
28	Public and private schools	148.00
2	Steamboats	120.00
6	Public halls	40.00
3	Cotton Mills	570.00
3	Woolen Mill	375.00
6	Saw Mills	383.00
15	Planing Mills and Sash and Door Manufactories	710.00
2	Foundries	450.00
1	Car-wheel Foundry and Locomotive Manufactory	185.00
4	Flouring Mills	475.00
4	White Lead and Oil Mills	1,700.00
1	Dye Houses	75.00
8	Machine Shops, and one Steel Works	250.00
6	Tanneries	155.00
9	Cabinet and Turning Shops	340.00
8	Breweries and Beer Halls	560.00
2	Salt Works	60.00
3	Taverns with Cattle yards	370.00
12	Cattle and Hog yards	510.00
44	Slaughter Houses	555.00
8	Livery Stables	450.00
3	Railway Stations	145.00
5	Wagon, Carriage and Plow Works	300.00
2	Railway Shops and Engine Houses	1,315.00
8	Soap and Candle Factories	310.00
1	State Prison (Penitentiary)	1,200.00
280	Hose for Pavements and Lawns	810.00
2	Vinegar Manufactories	65.00
1	Bolt and Nut Manufactory	37.00
2	Malleable Iron Foundries	230.00
2	Coffin and Casket Factories	110.00
1	Glue Factory	300.00
915	Horses, Carriages and Buggies	1,800.00
204	Cows	150.00
3	Passenger Street Railway Roads	117.94
	Total	$102,210.29

RECAPITULATION.

FIRST ASSESSMENT		SECOND ASSESSMENT.	
1st ward	$11,925.95	1st ward	$ 606.60
2nd ward	17,511.75	2nd ward	635.60
3rd ward	10,404.10	3d ward	1,000.00
4th ward	21,833.50	4th ward	122.40
5th ward	10,214.60	5th ward	494.16
6th ward	9,360.20	6th ward	1,506.64
7th ward	4,810.10	7th ward	260.80
8th ward	2,850.30	8th ward	120.05
9th ward	1,976.80	9th ward	1,246.69
	$97,363.30		$4,240.93
Amount brought over			$102,210.29
Assessment for building purposes			830.00
Am't for meter 1st and 2nd quarters			4,882.74
Rebate by meter for 3d and 4th qrs			3,000.00
Total			$111,091.03
Increase over 1870			16,543.14

The foregoing assessments by meter are on twelve hundred and seven breweries and distillery factories one wooden mill, one railroad, three foundries, one livery stable, one street railroad, one gas works.

There are four rolling mills, one blast furnace, three oil refineries, House of Refuge, Marine Hospital, one feed mill, one street railroad, one railroad and two gas and coke lead works, that do no use in hydrant water.

There are 19,540 families that use hydrant water, an increase of 942 families over last year; the increase has been mostly in the Sixth, Seventh and Ninth wards. There have been added to the water works as the result of hydrant water, 210 houses most of which are quite large, substantially and tastefully built. Considering all the inclement weather, a few extra buildings have been and are in various stages of completion, which for substantial workmanship have few superiors in the place, foremost among which are one each for J. Mullen, A. H. English, W. H. Forsythe, W. F. Lough, Jr., Jr. W. Hall, George D. Riddle and J. M. Tate.

Three large churches, two Catholic and one Lutheran are partially built, which when finished will be handsome and substantial; also one large new brick school house for the upper end of the Third ward, a very large-sized works in the Eighth ward for Armstrong & Fawcett, and a new saw mill in the Fifth ward for D. D. Parker & Co.

Quite a number of alterations and additions have been made to dwellings, many of which are quite costly, and substantial improvements, prominent among which are one on North avenue for Mr. James McBrier, one for J. B. Mahon, and a very good story for Mr. Erwin & Co. on Federal street. Over one hundred and fifty houses have been built above and below the line of the hydrant water service over four hundred houses and six hundred families unsupplied with hydrant water. It is a matter of congratulation that, through the judicious suggestions of Water Committee, so promptly responded to petitioners and furnishing all with an ample supply of excellent pure soft water.

Thankful for your continued confidence and kind consideration, and appreciation of the courtesy of city officials and assistants, I am respectfully,

Your obedient servant,
DAVID CORNELIUS.

THE FINANCIAL SITUATION.

Mr. HALL presented the annual report of Controller Porter, which showed that the total indebtedness, as shown by the last annual report, was $701,500. There was created during the present year, in pursuance of ordinances and under the direction of your committees, $285,000. Of this amount $250,000 has been redeemed and cancelled, thus leaving the increase in the debt during the year $255,000, as shown by the tabular statement accompanying, making the total indebtedness at the close of the present year $986,500.

BONDS ISSUED IN 1871.

Sewerage bonds, for payment of city's part on main sewers	$ 83,000
Bonds for refunding district sewer assessments	140,000
Bonds for water extension	12,000
Bonds for park improvements	29 000
	$264,000

It will be seen from the above that the increase has been $255,000, over and counting the $250,000 redeemed. I would state that provisions have been made for the redemption of all the bonds issued during the year, also, that provisions have been made for the bulk of the entire bonded indebtedness of the city as it is maturing. That is maturing in January 1st, 1872, $16,500 in bonds. The attention of your Committee on Finance has been called to the fact and provisions has been made therefore for payment. The credit of the city is as good as could be desired, par having been received for every bond issued during the year. In conclusion, I desire to return my thanks to your Committee on Finance for their personal co-operation in matters of finance, and also in the honorable bodies for your manifestation of confidence in electing me to this office."

The following is the appropriation exhibits the payments and disbursements:

Balance on hand at last annual report.....
Receipts from all sources.....
$ 87,445 29
880,798 32

Total receipts	$968,246 61
Gross expenditures	942,205 60
Balance on hand	$ 26,041 58

Report received and ordered to be published.

A LOAN AUTHORIZED.

Mr. HALL, Chairman of the Finance Committee, presented the monthly report showing the balance in the treasury funds and calls attention to the bonds maturing $16,000, maturing January 1st, 1872. The committee report the following resolution:

Resolved, By the Select and Common Council of the City of Allegheny, that the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to borrow $40,000 to meet the bonds maturing, and also the current expenses.

Report received and resolution adopted.

Mr. HALL presented Controller Porter's monthly statement for December, of which the following is a recapitulation:

No. 1.	Salaries	$1,076
" 3.	Fire Department	2,382 95
" 4.	Printing	57 70
" 5.	Streets	344 50
" 6.	Wharves	91 00
" 7.	Surveys	472 50
" 8.	Police	3,378 75
" 9.	Contingent Fund	468 18
" 11.	Water Works	686 50
" 13.	Gas	183 11
" 16.	City Property	69 40
	Total	$9,762 53

THE STREET DEPARTMENT.

Mr. PATTERSON, Chairman of the Street Committee, presented a very lengthy report. They reported twenty-nine streets graded and paved during the year, the total length of which is three and three-fourth miles, at cost of $263,515.68. The total length of streets graded and paved in the city is 59 9-10 miles, which cost $1,331,612 06.

Four and a half miles of main and lateral sewers have been made during the year, at a cost of $141,927.27. The total length of all the sewers is nine and one-fourths miles, which cost $305,775.77.

The entire cost of cleaning and repairing streets and street crossings, for the year, as shown by the Street Commissioner's report, is $28,952.56, and $433.50 was collected from Passenger Railways.

The committee then referred at great length to the proposed improvement of Troy Hill and opening of West End avenue.

A report of the Street Commissioner, Mr. Megraw, accompanied the report.

He reported the collections in 1871, and balances due for grading and paving as follows:

Due Dec. 30, 1870	$11,303 00
Collected	5,863 17
Due Dec. 30, 1871	$ 5,439 83

CITY OF ALLEGHENY, Dec. 30, 1871.

To the Honorable the Select and Common Councils:

I herewith submit a report of the business and operations of this department for the current year:

Street Improvements, Grading and Paving.—The total length of streets graded and paved during the year is three and four-tenths miles and at a cost of $93,878.15.

Street Grades.—The streets for which grades have been established during the year are given below in tabular form.

The entire length of streets in the city graded and paved to date is sixty miles—one half of which is thirty miles within a fraction) has been improved within the last five (5) years.

From 1867 and 1871 inclusive, and at a cost of $910,491.21.

The city can now boast of as large a proportion of its streets in comparison to its area as any other city in the Union.

Cobble stone has been exclusively used, with one exception, the paving of Sandusky avenue with Stowe foundation pavement.

The streets have generally withstood the damaging effects of the heavy traffic to which they are constantly subjected without much cost for repair or renewals, and with the drainage facilities now afforded and the additions of new sewers as they are laid down by the Street Commissioner, these streets present very fair surfaces and are attractive appearance.

They are, in a great degree, free from the objectionable features that bring this class of pavements into disrepute in other places. One matter in reference to maintaining streets deserves especial attention at this time—that is, a proper system of laying down and breaking the pavements for water, gas and sewer connections, and for other purposes.

This matter should be put in the hands of the Street Commissioner, and all the repaving should be done by him at the cost of parties opening the streets.

In the improvement of new streets the charge of laying out work and estimating has, as heretofore, devolved on the first assistant of the office, Mr. W. K. Carlile.

Lot Registry—The bulk of the property descriptions have now been received and entered up. The total number to date is ——.

This record makes eight books double-plain size and of ninety pages each. This department is under the charge of Mr. James Brown, acting as Registrar and general office clerk. The records are invaluable for ready reference in all matters pertaining to location, description or ownership of property for taxable purposes.

In making up the list of claimants and affixing the proportionate amounts due them under the recent ordinances, I have relied on solely for the information required. The work could not have been satisfactorily accomplished without it.

Lot Surveys.—During the year two hundred and sixty-six surveys have been made, realizing to the city $1,737 00.

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The city has now thirteen and three-fourths miles of sewers of which miles are pipe of varying diameters of from twelve to eighteen inches.

The cost of sewers to date foots up to $447,-099.05. The last item is not cited with the view to strengthening the claims for efficiency of work by the magnitude of the figures presented, but merely to put the public in possession of the facts; of late under the supervision of the Sewer Commission, the cost of constructing sewers has been materially reduced, and their efficiency very greatly increased.

The new plan is rapidly gaining in public favor as the advantages are made apparent by the work executed. There is now no dissatisfaction with sewer assessments although there is double the amount of work to do than there was two years ago. The tax is the most equitable one and the most easily operated of any of the numerous kinds in force in any city where there is a general scheme of sewerage.

The bill be confirmed by an examination of the different sewer laws and the results obtained under them.

The detailed information in regard to the construction and use of sewers and principle of levying taxes or reference to a very full and last report and need not be again republished.

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Cost of sewers built prior to 1869	124,856.61
Cost of sewers built during 1871	141,921.27
Cost of sewers built during 1869 and 1871 inclusive	322,840.43
Total expense for sewer construction Jan. 1, 1872	$ 447,697.04
5¼ miles pipe sewers at a cost of	74,181.86
0.4 miles stone sewers at a cost of	6,500.00
8.1 miles brick sewers at a cost of	367,015.18
Total expense for street and sewer construction during 1871	$ 235,799.42
Total expense for street and sewer construction prior to 1871	1,342,543.68
Total expense to Jan. 1, 1872	$1,578,309 10

Attention is solicited to the tabulated statements accompanying for detailed information in regard to character and cost of work.

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLES DAVIS,
City Engineer.

Mr. PATTERSON also presented the annual report of City Controller Hogue, received, several years ago which had been tried during the year, and noting the result.

THE SANITARY DEPARTMENT.

Mr. SCHOYER presented the report of the Board of Health, containing a review of the Board, since its organization, all of which, however, has heretofore been published. Accompanying was the report of Health Officer Williams. The substance of the report has been heretofore published in the reports of the meetings of the Board of Health—such as the erection of the small-pox hospital, the election of the Health Officer, &c., &c., therefore unnecessary to reproduce it here. The report shows that during the existence of the Board, 355 notices have been issued for the abatement of nuisances; No. of permits issued for the cleansing of privy-pools, thirty-seven. No. of cesspits, irrespective of appropriations, were: Cash received for permits for cleaning cesspools, $1,035.00; cash for fines for nuisances and medical attendance, $135 45; total, $309 45. The net receipts were $93.11, and the appropriation of $1,000 for the organization of the Board, and afterward $5,000, making a total of $6,000. The statement shows the expenditures for the year to December 29th, $5,787.89, and amount of bills due and for which warrants have been ordered but not cashed, $678.98; also, a bill for wood, making the total amount of $1,002, making the total cost up to December 29th, $5,510.89.

Board of Health rule.

The ordinance from Common Council repealing the ordinance creating the Board of Health, which has been passed on its final reading, was then taken up and read in full. After which brought up in Select Council it created considerable discussion, upon the point as to what should be done with the care of the sick patients in the Hospital, when the Board of Health was *non est*. Finally the difficulty was bridged over by the passage of the ordinance, and the adoption of a resolution presented by Mr. Patterson, as follows:

Resolved, That Alexander Hanna is hereby authorized and empowered to take charge of the City Hospital at Claremont until such time as Council shall make other provisions for taking charge of the same.

It was construed that this was no discourtesy to the present members of the Board of Health or their terms of office expired.

With the current year.

Mr. RIDDLE presented a resolution authorizing the Controller to draw a warrant for $141.40 in favor of John Fleeger, and for $140.40 in favor of James Best for over charge in paving cheesement on Water street. Passed.

SCHOOL TAXES.

Mr. McBRIER presented a report from the special committee appointed to confer with the Board relative to having school taxes collected by the City Treasurer, and also to prepare a bill for the employment of the unexpended balance of the city, in which they state they had a conference with a committee from the Board of Control, and had prepared a bill covering the subjects referred to them, which bill was reported to the Board of Control but had not been acted upon. The Committee therefore reported progress and recommended that the matter be referred to an appropriate committee from the incoming Councils to attend to it.

The report was received and filed.

Mr. RIDDLE presented an ordinance changing the name of Western avenue to West Ohio street, and providing for the restoration of the original name.

Mr. RIDDLE called for the yeas and nays on the passage of the ordinance which resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Hall, Heasy, Kirkpatrick, Riddle, Schoyer, Thompson, Reineman and President McBrier—8.

NAYS—Messrs. Wittach, Omsler, Moul, Wittmer, Patterson, Megraw—6.

The rules were then suspended and the ordinance passed. C. C. non-concurred and laid over.

THANKS.

Mr. HALL presented a resolution of thanks to Mr. D. Macferron and Controller Wm. M. Porter, for the faithful and efficient manner in which they had discharged the duties assigned them. Carried unanimously.

Mr. HALL said he offered this resolution because as Chairman of the Finance Committee for several years these officers especially had come under his observation, and he felt that their efforts to properly discharge their duties, and the success which had attended the financial affairs of the city, due in a large measure to their management, should be acknowledged by Councils.

Mr. McBRIER thought it might be well to include all the city officers, in order that there might be no appearance of invidious distinction.

Mr. RIDDLE thought it well for Councils at times to acknowledge faithfulness in any officer. Let them see they were paid for it, but he thought any officer when he faithfully discharged his duty, was worthy of some other acknowledgment beside the mere financial one.

Mr. SCHOYER—We might resolve ourselves into a mutual admiration society. [Laughter.] Which they then offered a resolution of thanks to the President of Council, Mr. James McBrier, for the able, efficient and impartial manner in which he had always presided over the deliberations of Councils during the past year. The resolution was passed, and in response Mr. McBrier returned his thanks for the compliment, and spoke of their pleasant relations during the past year.

FAREWELLS.

Mr. RIDDLE referred to the retirement of his colleague, Mr. Hall, who had represented the Second ward successively for seven years, and only narrowly compelled to retire from a seat by reason of a change of residence to another ward. He felt that something should be said of the long and able public labors of Mr. Hall, and especially as a member of Councils proved himself to be a faithful and true representative of his constituents.

Mr. HALL by these complimentary allusions was called to his feet, and referred, remivisically, to the fact that all the members of Council who entered with him but two now held seats. In his conduct as Councilman he had often, in the heat of debate in the Chamber, been compelled to differ with his colleagues, and mayhap offended some, but he never intended to wound the feelings of him outside of Councils. That he retired from the municipal body with fraternal feelings toward all, which he cherished in the deepest feeling of amity toward any, and with the most pleasant recollections of the time he had spent in the service of the city as one of the Councilmen.

Brief remarks were also made by Messrs. Reineman, Wittmer and Heasy, retiring members, after which a vote of thanks was tendered Clerk Oxley, and Council adjourned.

COMMON COUNCIL.

ALFRED SLACK.....President.
ROBERT DILWORTH.....Clerk.

Council was called to order at half-past seven o'clock.

Members present: Messrs. Ashworth, Brown, Belistein, Comley, Cooke, Dean, Hunker, Hastings, Hughes, Lance, McNeil, Marshall, Rowbottom, Smith, Shipman, Voegtly, Walters, and President Slack.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

On motion the rules were suspended in order to allow the taking up of the regular business, before receiving the annual reports of the city officers.

NEW BUSINESS.

Mr. HASTINGS presented an ordinance repealing the ordinance providing for the establishment of a Board of Health.

Mr. McNEIL moved the adoption of the ordinance. Carried.

On motion the rules were suspended and the ordinance passed finally.

Mr. ASHWORTH presented an ordinance requiring the West Penn Railroad to place flagmen at their crossings of Pine, Negley and Lemore streets. On motion, the rules were suspended and ordinance passed finally.

Mr. CROOKE presented a resolution requiring a certain lot on Manhattan street to be filled up, in its present condition it endangered pedestrians. Adopted.

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